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Re Chicago airtel and LHM dated 7/31/67.

Enclosed for Bureau are 12 copies of an LHM captioned as above. One copy is being provided to the offices of the United States Attorney, U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois. An extra copy is being furnished the Bureau for its file on MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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Due to the continued racial tensions in the City of Chicago, all sources in racial, security, and criminal fields as well as persons in a position to know information concerning racial matters were recontacted on July 31, 1967. Rumors continue to flow freely, but attempts to trace these rumors to their original sources have been unproductive. Some sources and individuals in a position to know believe racial tensions have lessened in the Chicago area, while others are of the opinion tensions have not lessened and in some instances they believe tensions have increased.

Chicago will continue to maintain extremely close liaison with all informants, sources, individuals in a position to know, and all appropriate units of the local Police authorities.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Chicago, Illinois

August 1, 1967

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POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE,  
MAJOR URBAN AREAS,  
CHICAGO DIVISION  
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated July 31, 1967, captioned as above.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he believes the potential for violence in the Chicago area remains on the same level as it has been for the past few days. He advised that youth gangs continue to be tense and he feels that the reported riots in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, will have an adverse effect on youth gangs in the Chicago area. [REDACTED] advised he could furnish no specific information, but that numerous rumors continue to flow, including a new area which was not previously reported as being tense known as Old Town. Old Town is located on the Near North Side of Chicago and is a section comprised of transients of all races, creeds, and colors, including beatniks and hippies; hence, it is a fertile area for trouble.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised on July 31, 1967, that tension continues to run extremely high in Chicago. He believes that the verbal attack against Martin Luther King on Chicago television last Thursday night by Mayor Richard J. Daley was very detrimental and was responsible for

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increasing racial tension in Chicago. He also believes that the racial disturbances in Milwaukee are serving as fuel to an already volatile situation in Chicago. [REDACTED] believes the likelihood of violence is greater at this time than at any previous time. b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised on July 31, 1967, that he believes the racial situation is more calm than at any time during the past week. He is of the opinion that the strong stand taken by the Chicago City officials and the Chicago Police Department has had good results. [REDACTED] does not feel that the criticism of Martin Luther King on television, nor the racial disturbances in Milwaukee will have an adverse effect on the people in Chicago. b7(D)

The Greater Lawndale Association is a community type organization organized on a block basis in Chicago's West Side, which has taken part in civil rights activities.

[REDACTED] advised on July 31, 1967, that Chicago, in his opinion, will get through the summer without a race riot. He believes that the crisis has past for potential of a riot in this city, and believes that the period from Wednesday, July 26, 1967, through the following weekend was the critical period, and that Chicago came through this period with flying colors. [REDACTED] feels that the strong stand of the city administration, including the Chicago Police Department, has definitely kept the situation in hand. He advised he is very familiar with youth gangs in the Woodlawn area of Chicago (on Chicago's South Side) and these youth gangs are not participating in any violence in Chicago. b7(D)

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[REDACTED], advised that Odis Hyde, Negro male, rumored to have connections with the Communist Party, frequents the Harding School playground, 49th and Calumet Avenue, Chicago, and is reported to be the idol and guiding hand behind a gang of about 100 to 200 youths known as the "Rods." The Rods operate in the area of 49th Street between South Parkway and State Streets in Chicago. The gang is one of the few gangs that has come under the influence of Black Nationalists. This influence took place prior to the start of the summer. The reported leader of this gang is Allen Williams, a Negro male, age 21, who frequents the Harding School playground. His gang was responsible for the burnings and the breaking of windows along East 51st Street in the vicinity of the elevated train tracks on July 24 and 25, 1967. [REDACTED] advised that it was reported Hyde desired to load this gang in automobiles and take them to Newark, New Jersey, last week. The reason for not doing this is unknown. [REDACTED] advised that in spite of the above gang, street workers of the Illinois Youth Commission are still convinced that the South Side of Chicago is not as potentially volatile as the West Side with the exception of the 49th and 51st Streets area described above. b7(D)

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[REDACTED] advised on July 31, 1967, that an office has been set up by the commission to receive riot rumors calls, and that as of last Friday, July 28, 1967, 750 calls had been received as compared to 74 calls received during the same period on this date. From this [REDACTED] drew the conclusion that the racial crisis in the Chicago area has past.

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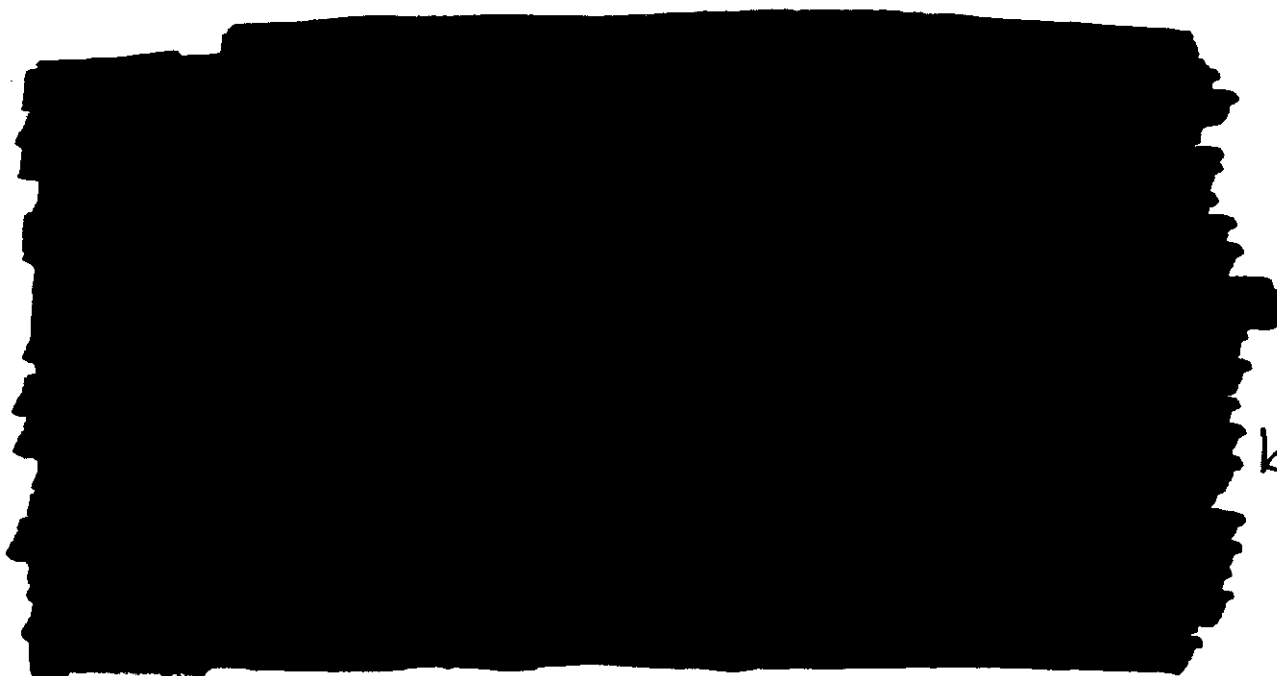
 advised that Elijah Muhammad, Leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI), has reduced all NOI meetings in the City of Chicago to one hour in order that the members can be home and off the streets by 9:00 p.m. after attending the NOI meetings. He does not want any NOI member stopped by the Police for any reason and he wants no NOI member to be involved in any trouble. These sources also advised that Muhammad closed the West Side Branch of Temple Number 2 earlier this summer to avoid racial trouble in that area.


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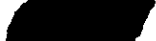
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advised on July 31, 1967, that Politics For Peace (PFP), a third party movement to promote candidates who are against the war in Vietnam, plans to have a group at the Chicago City Hall on August 4, 1967, at 10:00 AM, to support anti-discrimination legislation for Alderman Cousins and Leon Despres. He advised that Communist Party members LeRoy Wolins, Dorothy Hayes and Jack Spiegel are affiliated with the PFP.



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advised on July 31, 1967, that the Negro Youth Alliance Meeting scheduled for August 1, 1967, at Dan Ryan's Woods, Chicago, had been cancelled.

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advised on July 31, 1967, he heard a rumor which could not be verified that there might be some "trouble" on that date, time unknown, in the area of Chatham Village on Chicago's South Side, and also at the 79th Street and Cottage Grove Avenue Shopping Center, also on the South Side.

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[REDACTED], advised [REDACTED] b7(D)  
[REDACTED] an anonymous tip by  
telephone that a shipment of firearms coming to or leaving  
the Calumet Harbor is supposed to be stolen and sold to  
extremist groups. According to this information, there is  
to be an uprising on August 18, 1967. He could furnish no  
further details and advised [REDACTED] was attempting  
to trace the source of this rumor.

During the day of July 31, 1967, [REDACTED] b7(D)  
[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office  
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the following  
information:

A Black Power conference will be held in Chicago  
on August 5, 1967, in the Wabash YMCA.

A Black Power rally will be held in Atlantic City,  
New Jersey, on August 11, 1967.

A rumor was received from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] that a group of West Side Negroes are going  
to attack an apartment project located at 47th Street and  
Cicero Avenue on Wednesday, August 2, 1967. A check by the  
Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reflected b7(D)  
that [REDACTED] and that he heard  
this rumor from unidentified individuals [REDACTED]

An anonymous caller advised that a beer truck had  
made a delivery at a tavern located at [REDACTED] b7(C)  
Chicago, and that the tavern owner advised the man making the  
delivery that he, the owner, had to pay \$5.00 to several members  
of the Blackstone Rangers to keep them from looting his tavern.  
The tavern owner stated that members of the Rangers advised  
there may be a riot at 51st Street and South Parkway on August  
1, 1967. The Blackstone Rangers is a Negro youth gang on  
Chicago's South Side.

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Region I, 113th Military Intelligence Group,  
Evanston, Illinois

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NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On May 5, 1967, a second source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

On May 5, 1958, the first source advised MUHAMMAD had, upon advice of legal counsel, tempered his personal statements and instructions to his ministers concerning the principles of his organization in order to avoid possible prosecution by the United States government; however, he did not indicate any fundamental changes in the teachings of his organization.

On May 2, 1966, a third source advised MUHAMMAD had, early in July, 1958, decided to de-emphasize the religious aspects of the teachings of Islam and to stress the economic benefits to be derived by those Negroes who joined the NOI. This policy change, according to MUHAMMAD, would help him acquire additional followers and create more interest in his programs.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies, and Atlanta 3 copies of LHM on future Miami SCLC activity.

Re Miami airtel and LHM, 8/8/67, which contained additional information about this activity.

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JIMMIE CHATMON can not be subversively characterized at this time.

Miami will continue to follow local activity.

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Re: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION  
OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On August 24, 1967, "The Miami Herald", local Miami, Florida newspaper, contained an article reflecting that according to Jimmie Chatmon, Dade County, Florida SCLC President, SCLC officials from Atlanta, Georgia, will come here about September 5, 1967, to help the local organization begin "Operation Breadbasket", a campaign of boycotting and picketing manufacturers and retail stores that refuse to hire or promote Negroes.

Chatmon said that Dr. Martin Luther King, national SCLC President, probably will not come here unless the local effort needs bolstering.

Chatmon emphasized that non-violence will be the central feature of the activity. He said, "SCLC doesn't believe in violence here or in Vietnam or anywhere, but we don't believe in public officials who lie to us either."

Chatmon said, "We're through with demonstrations in the streets. We're going to jail."

Efforts to obstruct traffic and business and camp-outs in public parks by people unable to pay their rent or living in substandard housing will help fill the jails, he said.

The article stated that SCLC officials in civil disobedience provide instruction in the techniques to be followed.

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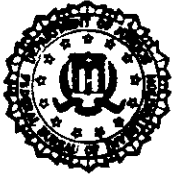
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Miami, Florida  
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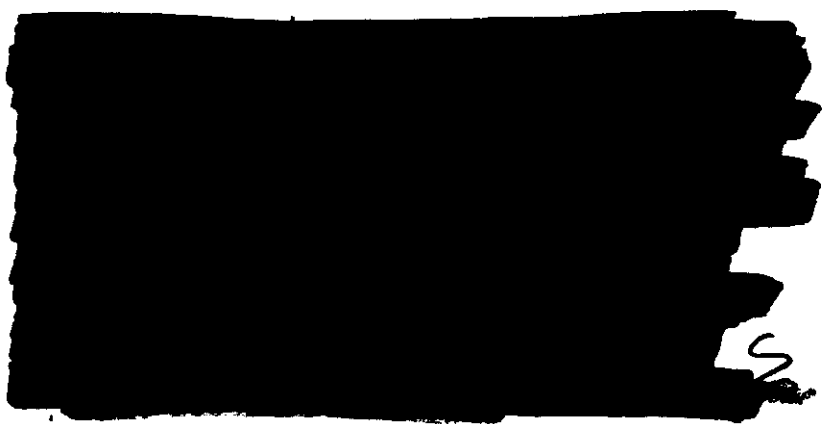
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Jones feels that militant leader Rap Brown is so won over by the "Progressive Labor Party and their crowd" that he is not only useless, he is dangerous. Levison feels that Brown's actions are due to either immaturity or the insecurity of a man whose organization is crumbling beneath him.



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Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
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15 East 40th Street, New York,  
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APPENDIX

1.

PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY

A source advised on April 20, 1965, that the Progressive Labor Party (PLP), formerly known as the Progressive Labor Movement (PLM), held its first national convention April 15, - 18, 1965, at New York, New York, to organize the PLM into a PLP. The PLP will have as its ultimate objective the establishment of a militant working class movement based on Marxism-Leninism.

The "New York Times" City Edition, Tuesday, April 20, 1965, page 27, reported that a new party of "revolutionary socialism" was formally founded on April 18, 1965, under the name of the PLP. The PLP was described as an outgrowth of the PLM. Its officers were identified as MILTON ROSEN, New York, President, and WILLIAM EPTON of New York, and MORT SCHEER of San Francisco, Vice Presidents. A 20-member National Committee was elected to direct the party until the next convention.

According to the article, "The Progressive Labor Movement was founded in 1962 by Mr. ROSEN and Mr. SCHEER after they were expelled from the Communist Party of the United States for assertedly following the Chinese Communist line".

The PLP publishes "Progressive Labor," a bi-monthly magazine, "Challenge", a monthly New York City newspaper, and "Spark", a West Coast newspaper.

The April, 1967, issue of "Challenge", page 14, states that, "This paper is dedicated to fight for a new way of life-where the working men and women own and control their homes, factories, the police, courts, and the entire government on every level".

A second source advised on September 26, 1966, that the PLP utilizes the address of General Post Office Box 808, Brooklyn 1, New York, but also utilizes an office in Room 617, 1 Union Square, West, New York City, where PLP publications are prepared.

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Re New Orleans teletype to Bureau and Atlanta dated 8/23/67.

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There is no [REDACTED] in the Klan in Shreveport. There is one klavern of the UKA in Shreveport, and all members have been identified by the FBI.

Attempts to identify [REDACTED] being made at Shreveport, La.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed regarding a  
plot to kill Martin Luther King.

[REDACTED] advised on August 23, 1967, that she received  
the first of ten phone calls [REDACTED] at 3:55 p.m.  
on August 22, 1967, at her office. Individual identified  
himself as [REDACTED] and stated that he is a member of  
the KKK. The Klan Unit was not further identified. [REDACTED]  
told [REDACTED] that he was calling from a pay telephone at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Shreveport,  
Louisiana. He said the entire Klan had a plot to kill Martin  
Luther King. The plan had been in formation for the past three  
months. [REDACTED] stated he was the person who would actually  
kill King, but he would give no other details about the plot  
to [REDACTED] over the telephone. [REDACTED] said that he had "sold  
out" and that he had but two hours to live. He did not say  
what he meant by "sold out" or why he had but two hours to  
live.

[REDACTED] wanted [REDACTED] to contact an official of  
the NAACP in Shreveport and have this official meet him at  
[REDACTED] where [REDACTED] would relate the details of  
the alleged plot to kill King. [REDACTED] stated that he wanted  
to talk to an NAACP official and have this official contact  
higher authorities in the NAACP. [REDACTED] stated that if he  
were to call a high ranking official of the NAACP they would  
not believe him but they would believe [REDACTED]

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who had gotten the information personally from [REDACTED]

Between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. on August 22, 1967, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] came into the office [REDACTED] also talked to [REDACTED] and agreed to go to [REDACTED] and meet [REDACTED] [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] never met [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] called [REDACTED] about 5:45 p.m. on August 22, 1967, and told her that [REDACTED] did not meet him. [REDACTED] called [REDACTED] for the last time at 5:50 p.m. on August 22, 1967, and told her that she should come to [REDACTED] and meet him. [REDACTED] did not go because she could not find anyone to go with her.

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[REDACTED] stated that he would explain the details of the plot to kill King to the NAACP in Shreveport for \$500. He stated that this money would be used to get his wife and family out of Louisiana because he was doomed in view of the fact that he had "sold out." He stated this was the only reason he wanted the \$500. [REDACTED] had no further contact with [REDACTED] following the last phone call to her office at 5:50 p.m. on August 22, 1967.

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[REDACTED] originally contacted [REDACTED] the Community Relations Service, U. S. Department of Justice, Little Rock, Arkansas. [REDACTED] called the Little Rock and New Orleans Divisions of the FBI on August 22, 1967, and stated that [REDACTED] in Shreveport had information regarding a plot to kill Martin Luther King. [REDACTED] did not identify [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was located August 23, 1967.

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[REDACTED] Police, Shreveport, Louisiana, advised of the above information on August 23, 1967.

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## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 8/30/67

Attached contains information concerning activities of Martin Luther King, Jr. in Chicago, and statements made during press interview 8/29/67. King stated he will not run for President on third party ticket. King denied communist infiltration of National Conference for New Politics (NCNP); that as Baptist preacher he is opposed to that philosophy. King departed Chicago evening 8/29/67 for Cleveland and scheduled for appearance at NCNP Convention scheduled for 8/31/67 - 9/4/67 at Chicago.

The Communist Party and other subversive groups have exhibited considerable interest in the NCNP Convention which is to establish a third political party for the 1968 presidential elections. Previous information concerning the NCNP has been furnished to the White House and other interested agencies. This information furnished to Criminal Division of the Department and a copy was sent to the Attorney General. Pertinent parts will be included in a summary to the White House and other interested agencies.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. <sup>1</sup> Mr. D. M. Wells

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 8/28/67

FROM : C. D. Brennan *CS/BM*

- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Russell has resigned from the National Conference on New Politics (NCNP), a liberal anti-war coalition based in New York City, and wanted to advise King of that fact since he was instrumental in persuading King to address the NCNP convention in Chicago on August 31, 1967. Russell resigned because he could not align himself with militant Black Nationalist Stokely Carmichael's pro-Arab point of view and could not persuade the NCNP to request Carmichael's resignation from that organization. Levison indicated he would apprise King of Russell's resignation. S

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[REDACTED] advised that he recalls a heavy set white male, about 30, six feet, dark hair combed straight back and having several days' growth of beard, making several phone calls on the late afternoon of August 22, 1967. When this man came into [REDACTED] he asked [REDACTED] if a man wearing a green suit had been in [REDACTED] a little earlier. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that he had not seen such an individual.

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[REDACTED] advised that she had been telephonically contacted by the individual using the name [REDACTED] on August 22. This [REDACTED] instructed [REDACTED] to have the individual from her office who was to make a meet with [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] to bring \$500 and so that [REDACTED] could identify the man with the \$500 he was to wear a green suit. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] later while he was at the [REDACTED] that he had not seen an individual come in who was wearing a green suit.

[REDACTED] explained that after [REDACTED] made the first few calls, [REDACTED] left the [REDACTED] and walked about a block to a car. [REDACTED] watched [REDACTED] walk to the car. [REDACTED] described this car as a late model fast back, with license plates other than Louisiana. He could not further identify the license plates, nor did he get the license number. [REDACTED] got into the car along with a Negro boy about 15 years old, another Negro male, and one Negro female. The car drove away and returned about an hour later. The car parked in front of [REDACTED] returned to [REDACTED] and made additional phone calls. [REDACTED] then requested [REDACTED] to leave as he was arousing suspicion. [REDACTED] then left with the three Negroes and has not returned.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT.  
ALSO KNOWN AS [REDACTED]  
THREAT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING;  
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINTANT

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[REDACTED] is unknown to [REDACTED] has agreed to immediately contact the FBI should [REDACTED] return [REDACTED]

No further investigation is being conducted by the New Orleans Office of the FBI. [REDACTED] Shreveport, Louisiana, Police Department, was advised of the above on August 25, 1967.

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FBI CHICAGO

1055PM DEFERRED 8-29-67 RMW

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, AND CLEVELAND

FROM CHICAGO (P)

*C. DeLoach*  
*W. Bishop*

*Security Matter - Communist*  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM-C BUFILE ONE ZERO ZERO DASH ONE ZERO SIX SIX SEVEN ZERO; ATLANTA FILE ONE ZERO ZERO DASH FIVE FIVE EIGHT SIX; CHICAGO FILE ONE ZERO ZERO DASH THREE FIVE THREE FIVE SIX; OO: ATLANTA.

*INTERNAL SECURITY - Communist;*  
NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR NEW POLITICS (NCNP) IS-C; BUFILE SIXTY TWO DASH ONE ONE ZERO NINE EIGHT FIVE; CHICAGO FILE ONE ZERO ZERO DASH FOUR THREE TWO FIVE THREE; OO: CHICAGO.

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ADVISED AUGUST TWENTYEIGHT LAST KING ARRIVED CHICAGO OVER PAST WEEKEND; SPECIFIC TIME OF ARRIVAL NOT KNOWN. ON AUGUST TWENTY SEVEN LAST KING PREACHED SERMON AT CHURCH ON SOUTH SIDE CHICAGO.

AT PRESS INTERVIEW INSTANT KING STATED HE WILL NOT RUN FOR PRESIDENCY ON THIRD PARTY TICKET. DENIED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF NCNP, INDICATING " AS A BAPTIST PREACHER I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THAT PHILOSOPHY."

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KING ATTACKED BLACK POWER ADVOCATES, STATING "RIOTS CREATE MORE SOCIAL PROBLEMS THAN THEY SOLVE." KING INDICATED BELIEF IN VIOLENT PROGRAM IS SELF-DEFEATING. "WHAT NEGROES NEED IS MILITANT NON-VIOLENT RESISTANCE."

KING DID NOT DENOUNCE STOKELY CARMICHAEL'S TRIPS TO HAVANA AND HANOI. KING SAID HE PLANNED TO "SPEND MY TIME WORKING WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT AND GATHERING OPPOSITION TO THE VIETNAM WAR."

CONCERNING CHICAGO, KING SAID THIS CITY HAS BEEN QUIET THIS SUMMER BECAUSE "NEGROES HAVE COME TO SEE THE FUTILITY OF SUCH ACTION." ACCORDING TO KING, THE NEGRO COMMUNITY IN CHICAGO SUFFERED THE AGONY OF RIOTING LAST SUMMER AND DOES NOT WANT SIMILAR SITUATION AGAIN.

ACCORDING TO KING, RIOTS ARE UNLIKELY TO OCCUR IN THE SAME AREA MORE THAN ONCE.

KING OUTLINED PROGRAM "POOR PEOPLES CONDOMINIUMS", WHEREBY WELFARE RECIPIENTS AND JOB HOLDERS CAN PURCHASE DWELLINGS FOR LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS A MONTH. ELEVEN WEST SIDE TENEMENTS INCLUDED IN PROGRAM. FUNDS TO BE OBTAINED FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, CHICAGO, WILL MANAGE BUILDINGS. KING SAID THIS IS FIRST PROGRAM OF ITS KIND IN COUNTRY.

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KING ESTIMATED APARTMENT HOMES WILL SELL FOR ABOUT SEVENTYFIVE HUNDRED EACH, AND BE READY FOR OCCUPANCY WITHIN SIX MONTHS. MODEL APARTMENT PRESENTLY LOCATED IN BUILDING AT THREE EIGHT ZERO EIGHT FILMORE STREET. b7(D)

[REDACTED] ADVISED PM INSTANT KING TO DEPART CHICAGO THIS EVENING, FLIGHT AND TIME NOT KNOWN, FOR CLEVELAND, OHIO.

KING SCHEDULED TO RETURN CHICAGO AUGUST THIRTYONE NEXT FOR APPEARANCE AS KEY-NOTE SPEAKER, NCNP. NO INCIDENTS IN CONNECTION WITH KING'S VISIT.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

USA, SECRET SERVICE, MILITARY ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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[REDACTED] COMPLAINANT, RACIAL MATTER. U.A.

[REDACTED]  
ADVISED THAT HE RECALLS A HEAVY SET WHITE MALE, ABOUT THIRTY,  
SIX FEET, DARK HAIR COMBED STRAIGHT BACK AND HAVING SEVERAL DAYS  
GROWTH OF BEARD, MAKING SEVERAL PHONE CALLS ON THE LATE AFTERNOON  
OF AUGUST TWENTYTWO LAST. THIS MAN INITIALLY CAME [REDACTED]  
AND ASKED [REDACTED] IF A MAN HAD COME [REDACTED]  
WEARING A GREEN SUIT.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON AUGUST TWENTYTHREE LAST THAT SHE  
HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY [REDACTED] ON AUGUST TWENTYTWO LAST TO HAVE  
THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS TO MEET HIM [REDACTED] AND GIVE HIM THE FIVE  
HUNDRED DOLLARS, TO WEAR A GREEN SUIT. THE PURPOSE OF THE GREEN  
SUIT WAS TO IDENTIFY HIM TO [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT HE  
HAD NOT SEEN SUCH AN INDIVIDUAL.

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[REDACTED] EXPLAINED THAT AFTER [REDACTED] MADE THE FIRST FEW CALLS [REDACTED] LEFT [REDACTED] AND WALKED ABOUT A BLOCK TO A CAR. [REDACTED] WATCHED [REDACTED] WALK TO THE CAR. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THIS CAR AS A LATE MODEL FAST BACK WITH LICENSE PLATES OTHER THAN LA. HE COULD NOT FURTHER IDENTIFY THE LICENSE PLATES, NOR DID WE GET THE LIC NUMBER. [REDACTED] GOT INTO THE CAR ALONG WITH A NEGRO BOY ABOUT FIFTEEN, ANOTHER NEGRO MALE AND ONE NEGRO FEMALE. THE CAR DROVE AWAY AND RETURNED ABOUT AN HOUR LATER. THE CAR PARKED [REDACTED] RETURNED TO [REDACTED] AND MADE ADDITIONAL PHONE CALLS. [REDACTED] THEN REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO LEAVE AS HE WAS AROUSING SUSPICION. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] THEN LEFT WITH THE THREE NEGROS AND HAVE NOT RETURNED.

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[REDACTED] IS UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED] HAS AGREED TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT FBI SHOULD [REDACTED] RETURN [REDACTED]

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION. [REDACTED] SHREVEPORT, PD, ADVISED OF ABOVE THIS DATE.

ADMINISTRATIVE: LHM TO FOLLOW AND APPROPRIATE DISSEMINATION WILL BE MADE.

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Dear [Redacted]

C.D. Brennan  
B. White  
D. McQuinn

Your letter of August 22nd, with enclosure, has been received.

While I can certainly understand the concern which prompted you to write, information contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I am sure you will understand the reason for this policy and why I cannot take the action you have suggested.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The Bureau is aware of the syndicated column by Robert S. Allen and Paul Scott which appeared in the August 24th issue of the "Northern Virginia Sun." Congressman John D. Rooney telephonically contacted the Bureau on 8/25/67 and he was informed we did not furnish information to Allen or Scott.

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August 22 1967

J. E. Hoover  
F. B. I.  
Washington D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Enclosed is an article from the Chicago American dated August 22 1967.

I am very much concerned with the article on Martin Luther King by Allen-Scott.

If the F. B. I, has any information on Martin King's activities with the communists, I think it is your duty to inform the American people.

My concern is for my childrens future in this country. My youngest daughter will be entering first grade in a Catholic scool. Our Chicago archdiocese is now teaching our children that Martin Luther King is like Jesus Christ.

I think now is the time for us to be informed before our children are to well indoctrinated in this teaching.

Please help us, where else can we turn?

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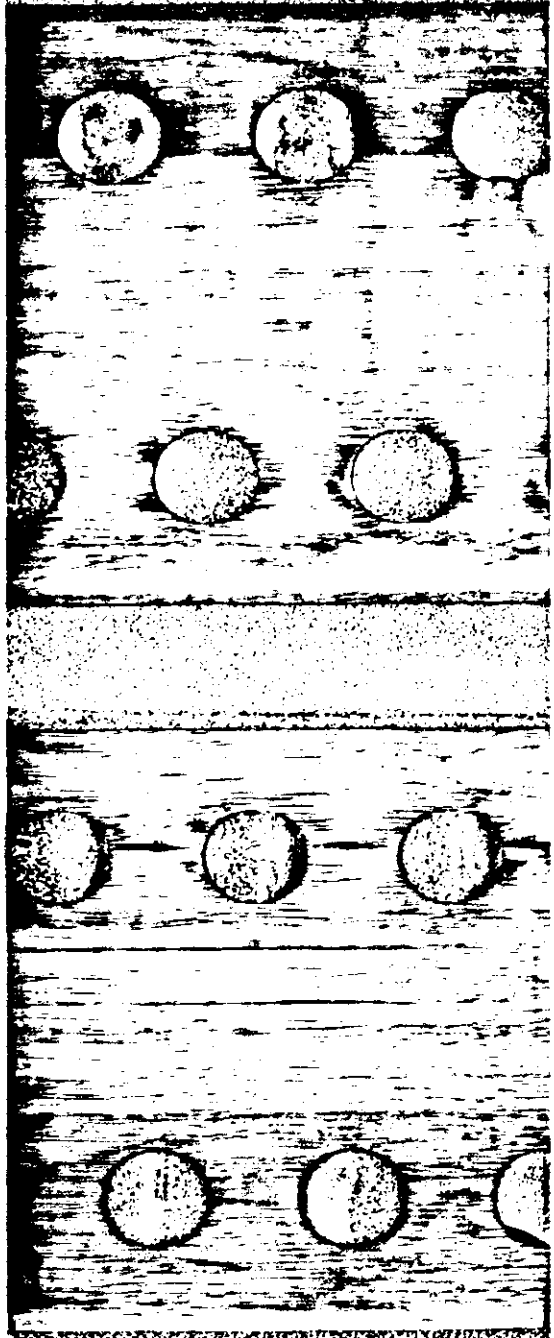
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# Opinion and Comment

## THE ALLEN-SCOTT REPORT

### *This is the article* Spotlight on King, Associates

WASHINGTON—Powerful leaders in Congress are rolling up their big guns for their coming confrontation with Dr. Martin Luther King.

Their Big Bertha—the contents of the FBI's file on King—has been examined and readied for firing by a House appropriations subcommittee headed by Rep. John J. Rooney [D., N. Y.], a strong civil rights advocate.

Subcommittee members are now discussing with House leaders how and when this untold part of the intriguing King story should be released to the American people. This story includes details of those directing and influencing his activities.

These legislators are taking the position that King's public declaration of war on Congress leaves members no other course than to throw the spotlight on some unpublicized aspects of the militant civil rights leader's life—known only to a few high officials and a handful of FBI agents.

The subcommittee members have told the House leaders, who are King's main targets, that the FBI has unimpeachable evidence including photographs showing that King is now listening to a man who is clearly more interested in destroying the United States than in the plight of either the Negro or the war-weary people of Viet Nam.

### Communists' Fund-Raiser

According to these legislators, the FBI has documented carefully that this adviser of King has been one of the Communist party's biggest money-raisers in this country.

The confidential FBI file, they report, cites instances of material this adviser has prepared for King's vicious attacks on Congress and the nation in general. The adviser is credited with drafting King's statements describing Congress as "wild with

racism" and describing the United States as "the greatest purveyor of violence in the world today."

As reported in this column on Aug. 4, 11 days before King revealed his new strategy in his headline-making attack on Congress in Atlanta, the Nobel prize winner is planning to lead massive demonstrations and "sit-ins" here this fall.

The attacks against Congress are part of King's 'over-all campaign to establish a political "third force" by 1968 composed of militant civil rights, peace, student, and labor groups.

### Bevel Link to 'Violents'

Significantly, the Rev. James Bevel, another King lieutenant organizing his civil-disobedience campaign for Washington, is described in the FBI file as King's link with the Student Nonviolent Coordinating committee. The officials of this militant group are now urging Negroes to follow the path of violent revolution in the United States.

King, who preaches nonviolence, continues to confer with these S. N. C. C. officials whenever Bevel sets up the meetings, according to the FBI files. It also quotes King as telling a group of left-wing students: "We don't need to talk mean, we need to act mean."

Aids of Sen. John McClellan [D., Ark.], whose permanent investigating subcommittee plans a full-scale probe of recent race riots, reports that the inquiry will go into King's activities. Several ex-FBI agents, familiar with the background of King and also of the officials of S. N. C. C., will be employed by the committee.

With these and other bombshells fused to ignite, congressional leaders are privately predicting that the "second coming" of King, as his Washington disobedience campaign is being called, could be a nasty, violent affair.

The legislators also believe the fireworks could explode a lot of myths about King.



Robert S. Allen  
Paul Scott

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*Summary*

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

The following is some background data on Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference:

He was born January 15, 1929, at Atlanta, Georgia. He earned his A.B. degree from Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia, in 1948. He received a Bachelor of Divinity from Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1951. He was President of the senior class and won the Plafker Award which gave him a scholarship to do graduate work at the school of his choice. King selected the Boston University and secured his Ph.D. degree in 1955. Upon graduation, he had many ministerial assignments offered him. He selected the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama. While at that church, he formed the Montgomery Improvement Association and led a successful bus boycott in that city.

In 1957, he founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference with himself as President, the position he still maintains. This organization was originally founded as a register and vote type group. He gained national prominence by leading the march on Washington in August of 1963. Originally, Negro leaders, principally A. Philip Randolph, President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and head of the Negro American Labor Council, had proposed a march on the Nation's Capitol sometime in the Fall of 1963. King seized the initiative and secured the cooperation of other Negro leaders in backing his proposal for an earlier march. This move put King squarely in the forefront of the events as they developed. In December of 1964, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize because of his efforts in the civil rights movement.

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**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

He has concentrated mostly on matters dealing with civil rights until recently when in April, 1967, at a speech at Riverside Church in New York City, he vociferously attacked the United States involvement in Vietnam. He outlined a plan for peace which closely parallels that put forth by North Vietnam. In recent months, he has blended his anti-Vietnam war activities with the civil rights movement in the United States. Attached are some articles that will provide additional background information concerning him.

Enclosures (8)

NOTE:

Articles furnished: "Matter of Fact" by Joseph Alsop, "Washington Post," 4/15/64; "Dr. King's Associations," "Jackson Daily News," 11/24/64; "A Role for King in Protest Politics," "The Washington Post," 8/12/67; "Dr. King and the Firemen," "Atlanta Journal," 10/7/66; "Dr. King Makes a Mistake," "Chicago American," 4/20/67; "Dr. King's Leadership," "Chicago Defender," 4/22/67; "The King and His Communists," "American Opinion," 10/65; and "Ideas in Our Times," "Political Affairs," 5/67.

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KING; [REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT. RACIAL MATTER.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED REGARDING A PLOT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON EIGHT TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYSEVEN, THAT SHE RECEIVED THE FIRST OF TEN PHONE CALLS, [REDACTED] AT THREE FIFTY FIVE PM ON EIGHT TWENTYTWO SIXTYSEVEN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS [REDACTED] AND STATED THAT HE IS A MEMBER OF THE KKK. THE KLAN UNIT WAS NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED. [REDACTED] WOULD [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS CALLING FROM A PAY PHONE AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE SAID THE ENTIRE

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KLAN HAD A PLOT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING. THE PLAN HAD BEEN IN FORMATION FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS. [REDACTED] STATED HE WAS THE PERSON WHO WOULD ACTUALLY KILL KING, BUT HE WOULD GIVE NO OTHER DETAILS ABOUT THE PLOT TO [REDACTED] OVER THE TELEPHONE. [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE HAD "SOLD OUT" AND THAT HE HAD BUT TWO HOURS TO LIVE. HE DID NOT SAY WHAT HE MEANT BY "SOLD OUT" OR WHY HE HAD BUT TWO HOURS TO LIVE.

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[REDACTED] WANTED [REDACTED] TO CONTACT AN OFFICIAL OF THE NAACP IN SHREVEPORT AND HAVE THIS OFFICIAL MEET HIM AT [REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED] WOULD RELATE THE DETAILS OF THE ALLEGED PLOT TO KILL KING. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WANTED TO TALK TO AN NAACP OFFICIAL AND HAVE THIS OFFICIAL CONTACT HIGHER AUTHORITIES IN THE NAACP. [REDACTED] STATED THAT IF HE WERE TO CALL A HIGH RANKING OFFICIAL OF THE NAACP THEY WOULD NOT BELIEVE HIM BUT THEY WOULD BELIEVE AN OFFICIAL FROM SHREVEPORT, WHO HAD GOTTEN INFORMATION PERSONALLY FROM [REDACTED]

BETWEEN FIVE PM AND FIVE THIRTY PM ON EIGHT TWENTYTWO SIXTYSEVEN, [REDACTED] CAME INTO

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THE OFFICE [REDACTED] ALSO TALKED TO [REDACTED] AND  
AGREED TO GO TO [REDACTED] AND MEET [REDACTED]  
STATED THAT [REDACTED] NEVER MET [REDACTED] BECAUSE [REDACTED] CALLED  
[REDACTED] ABOUT FIVE FORTYFIVE PM ON EIGHT TWENTYTWO SIXTYSEVEN AND  
TOLD HER THAT [REDACTED] DID NOT MEET HIM. [REDACTED] CALLED [REDACTED]  
FOR THE LAST TIME AT FIVE FIFTY FIVE PM ON EIGHT TWENTYTWO SIXTY-  
SEVEN AND TOLD HER THAT SHE SHOULD COME TO [REDACTED] AND  
MEET HIM. [REDACTED] DID NOT GO BECAUSE SHE COULD NOT FIND ANY ONE  
TO GO WITH HER.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WOULD EXPLAIN THE DETAILS OF  
THE PLOT TO KILL KING TO THE NAACP IN SHREVEPORT FOR FIVE  
HUNDRED DOLLARS. HE STATED THAT THIS MONEY WOULD BE USED TO  
GET HIS WIFE AND FAMILY OUT OF LOUISIANA BECAUSE HE WAS  
DOOMED IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT HE HAD "SOLD OUT". HE STATED  
THIS WAS THE ONLY REASON HE WANTED THE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

[REDACTED] HAD NO FURTHER CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] FOLLOWING THE LAST PHONE CALL

TO HER OFFICE AT FIVE FIFTY FIVE PM ON EIGHT TWENTYTWO  
SIXTYSEVEN.

[REDACTED] ORIGINALLY CONTACTED [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] WITH THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS SERVICE,  
U.S.D.J. LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS. [REDACTED] CALLED THE LITTLE  
ROCK AND NEW ORLEANS DIVISIONS OF THE FBI ON EIGHT TWENTYTWO  
SIXTYSEVEN AND STATED THAT [REDACTED] HAD  
INFORMATION REGARDING A PLOT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING. [REDACTED]  
DID NOT IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOCATED EIGHT TWENTYTHREE SIXTY-  
SEVEN.

[REDACTED] POLICE SHREVEPORT, LA.,  
ADVISED OF THE ABOVE THIS DATE.

THERE IS NO [REDACTED] IN THE KLAN IN SHREVEPORT.  
THERE IS BUT ONE KLAVERN OF THE UKA IN SHREVEPORT AND ALL  
MEMBERS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE FBI.

ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] BEING MADE AT SHREVEPORT,  
LA.

LHM TO FOLLOW. AIR MAIL COPY TO LITTLE ROCK.

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[REDACTED]  
Stamford, Connecticut 06905

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of August 22nd, together with its enclosures, has been received.

While I certainly appreciate the interest which prompted you to contact me, I am unable to furnish the information you are seeking since data contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I am sure you will understand the reason for this policy and why I cannot be of service in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Self-addressed stamped envelope furnished by her is being used in reply. The card she enclosed, which purports to depict Martin Luther King at a training school for communists, has been brought to the Bureau's attention previously.

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Stamford, Conn. 06905  
Aug. 22, '67

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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I am enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope for a reply, however brief.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted signature]

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Stanford, Conn.

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Aug. 22, '67

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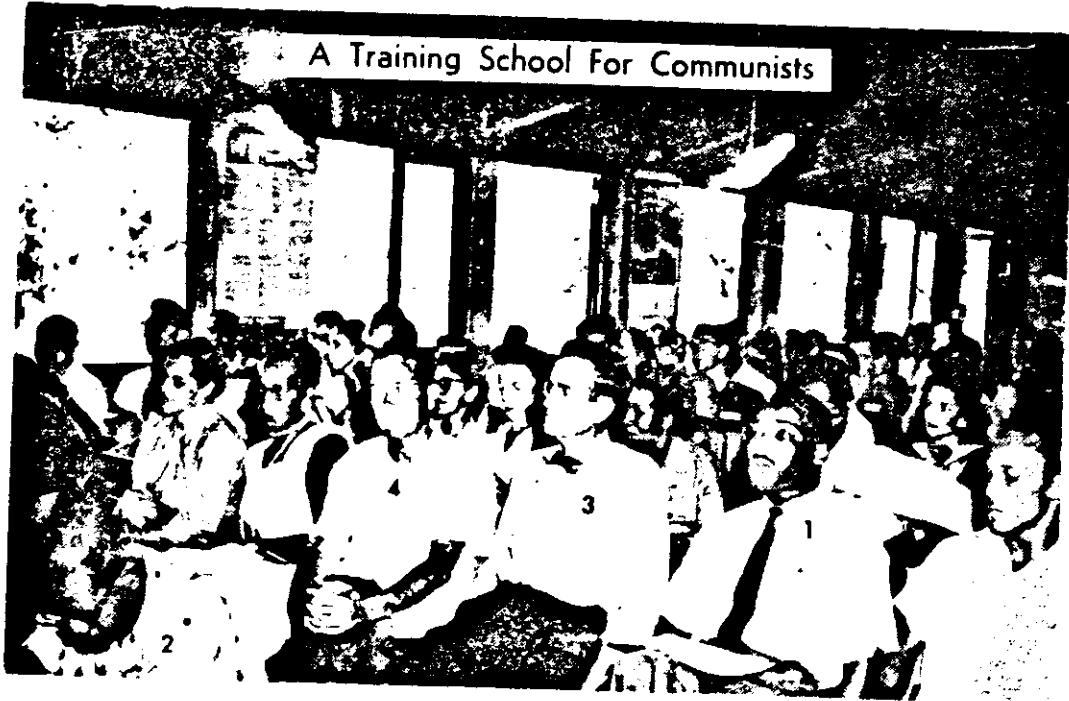
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DECLASSIFICATION

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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(OO:AT)

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE 2-25-78

Handwritten notes and signatures: 54686, 73 DS, 805.4, [Signature]

Enclosed are nine copies of an LHM reporting information received from [redacted], a source close to STANLEY LEVISON. Two copies of this LHM are enclosed for the AT Office.

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BY: [redacted]

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Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

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Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Security Matter - C

On July 27, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., the President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in conference on that date with Stanley Levison, King's, New York Advisor concerning a statement allegedly issued on July 26, 1967, by Civil Rights leaders Roy Wilkins, Whitney M. Young, Jr., A. Philip Randolph and King concerning riots.

A copy of this statement, as quoted on page nineteen of the July 27, 1967 edition of "The New York Times", is attached to the appendix.

Levison indicated that he was very upset at the tone of this statement since it not only seemed to condemn the Negro community more than the White community; it was also a contradiction of King's statement of the previous day which blamed the riots on government inaction. Levison felt however that since the statement had been released it was better if King did not repudiate it at this time. King noted that he had not read the statement and first learned of its issuance from a news broadcast. Levison suggested that King write a letter to "The New York Times" and amplify rather than repudiate the statement. In this amplification the blame could be subtly shifted from Negroes to Whites.

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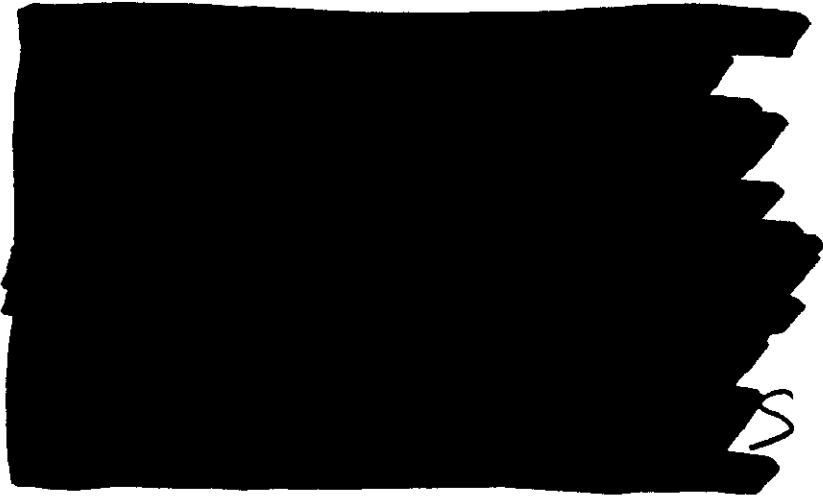
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Martin Luther King, Jr.

King agreed that under the guise of clarification he could reiterate his previous statements which did not receive widespread publicity. King accepted Levison's suggestion for naming his proposed government work program, the "National Full Employment Act", a phrase coined by the "New York Post", a New York newspaper. Levison agreed to begin writing the letter to "The New York Times" immediately.



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## Rights Leaders' Appeal

Following is a joint statement on urban violence issued yesterday by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., A. Philip Randolph, Roy Wilkins, and Whitney M. Young Jr.:

Developments in Newark, Detroit and other strife-torn cities make it crystal clear that the primary victims of the riots are the Negro citizens. That they have grave grievances of long standing cannot be denied or minimized. That the riots have not contributed in any substantial measure to the eradication of these just complaints is by now obvious to all.

We are confident that the overwhelming majority of the Negro community joins us in opposition to violence in the streets. Who is without the necessities of life when the neighborhood stores are destroyed and looted? Whose children are without milk because deliveries cannot be made? Who loses wages because of a breakdown in transportation or destruction of the place of employment? Who are the dead, the injured and the imprisoned? It is the Negroes who pay and pay and pay, whether or not they are individually involved in the rioting. And for what?

Killing, arson, looting are criminal acts and should be dealt with as such. Equally guilty are those who incite, provoke and call specifically for such action. There is no injustice which justifies the present destruction of the Negro community and its people.

We who have fought so long and so hard to achieve justice for all Americans have consistently opposed violence as a means of redress. Riots

have proved ineffective, disruptive and highly damaging to the Negro population, to the civil rights cause and to the entire nation.

We call upon Negro citizens throughout the nation to forego the temptation to disregard the law. This does not mean that we should submit tamely to joblessness, inadequate housing, poor schooling, insult, humiliation and attack. It does require a redoubling of efforts through legitimate means to end these wrongs and disabilities.

We appeal not only to black Americans but also to our fellow white citizens, who are not blameless. The disabilities imposed upon Negro citizens are a century old. They remain because the white citizenry in general supports these restrictions.

The Ninetieth Congress has exhibited an incredible indifference to hardships of the ghetto dwellers. Only last week the House defeated a rat-control bill which would have enabled the cities to get rid of the rats which infest the slums.

And finally, we fully support President Johnson's call "upon all our people (black and white alike) in all our cities to join in a determined program to maintain law and order, to condemn and to combat lawlessness in all its forms, and firmly to show by word and by deed that riot, looting and public disorder will just not be tolerated."

No one benefits under mob law. Let's end it now!

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Date: 8/23/67

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI(100-106670)  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO(100-52821)  
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM-C

*C.D.S.*  
*B. G. G. G.*

Re Bureau letter, 8/14/67; San Francisco airtel 8/18/67; Bureau airtel, 8/22/67.

[REDACTED]  
advised that the video tape of KING's 8/10/67, speech in San Francisco [REDACTED] was being shown over television stations at San Diego and San Bernardino, California, Portland, Oregon, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Spokane, Washington. [REDACTED] it would be back in San Francisco on Sunday, 8/27/67, for a reshewing on KQED at 10:00 p.m.

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The San Francisco Office will tape the speech at that time and transcribe it expeditiously and send it to the Bureau in LHM form suitable for dissemination.

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C. C. Bishop

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Special Agent in Charge  
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 DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY *6076*

August 21, 1967

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

The 10th Annual Southern Christian Leadership Conference Convention was held on August 14-17, 1967, at Atlanta, Georgia. The President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Martin Luther King, Jr., delivered an address on August 15, 1967, urging a new drive of massive civil disobedience which would include general strikes, school boycotts, and a camp-in at Washington, D.C. All this would be to induce Congress to take action to improve the lot of the Negro in the United States.

He claimed that the recent riots in the United States were directly related to the Vietnam War because, "When you develop a climate of violence, it becomes contagious."

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King then advised newsmen that he has a feeling that the present bombing of North Vietnam along the Red China Border by the United States may result in Red China's entering into the conflict. This, he thought, might have a unifying effect on the people of the United States. King felt that this might possibly be the intention of the current Administration in Washington, D.C.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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NOTE:

Classified "Secret" inasmuch as source for the above information is a highly sensitive source relating to the racial situation.

See memorandum C.D. Brennan to Sullivan, 8/21/67, u captioned as above, prepared by DMW:hrr.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: August 21, 1967

FROM : Mr. C. D. Brennan *MB/ghd*

- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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*MA Jones*  
*est. [unclear]*  
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PURPOSE:

Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That copies of the enclosure be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, the White House; Secretary of Defense, Robert S. McNamara; The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General; Assistant Attorneys General Doar, Yeagley and Vinson. u

*Stegall*  
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FBI

Date: 8/18/67

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- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-52821)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM - C

*C.D. [Signature]*  
*B.A. [Signature]*

Re San Francisco tel dated 8/10/67; San Francisco LHM dated 8/11/67; Bulet dated 8/14/67.

[Redacted] advised that on 8/10/67, he attended KING's speech before the National Association of Real Estate Brokers at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco. [Redacted] stated that KING had several pages of notes in his pockets but had no complete transcript and that no transcript was distributed.

[Redacted] advised on 8/18/67, that KING did not distribute copies of his speech.

[Redacted] advised

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Special Agent in Charge

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that station KQED had prepared a special video tape of KING's speech on 8/10/67, and that this was shown on KQED at 10:00 p.m., 8/10/67. He stated that KING did not furnish any transcript of his speech to KQED.

██████████ advised that in order to listen to the audio it would be necessary for them to rerun the video tape and the tape recording could then be made and transcribed. The cost of rerunning the video tape at the station would be approximately \$60. b7(D)

The detailed LHM submitted on 8/10/67, concerning KING's speech was made from notes taken during the KQED TV program.

If the Bureau deems it necessary to have a verbatim transcript of KING's speech on 8/10/67, the Bureau is requested to authorize the San Francisco Office to spend the approximately \$60 in order to make a record from KQED.

1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

8/22/67

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TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-52821)

FROM: Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM - C

ReBulet 8/14/67 and SFairtel 8/18/67.

*B*  
You are authorized to spend \$60 to obtain a copy of Martin Luther King's speech made at the National Association of Real Estate Brokers Convention, San Francisco, California, on August 10, 1967.

This matter should be given expeditious attention.

1 - M. F. Row (6221 IB)

NOTE:

King spoke in San Francisco before the National Association of Real Estate Brokers Convention which is all Negro. A copy of this speech is necessary to confirm remarks reportedly made to carry out our continuing coverage of King. Above referenced San Francisco airtel advises only copy of King's speech was made on video tape by TV station KQED, San Francisco. It would cost \$60 to make a recording of this speech. Above airtel authorizes San Francisco to spend this amount to obtain a copy of the speech.

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[Redacted]

*Martin Luther*

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308

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*O'Long*

Dear [Redacted]

I have received your letter of August 13th and certainly appreciate your generous remarks concerning my work.

With respect to the matter you mentioned, Karl Prussion assisted this Bureau by furnishing information on subversive activities from November, 1949, to July, 1958, during which time he was compensated; however, he was not an employee of the FBI. His personal ventures, his opinions and comments are strictly his own and the FBI is not in a position to comment on these in any way whatsoever.

I can assure you this Bureau is aware of its responsibilities in the internal security field, and we will continue to make every effort to discharge our duties with the highest degree of thoroughness and dispatch.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
FBI

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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The "Atlanta Constitution", daily Atlanta, Georgia, newspaper, on August 16, 1967, published on page one an article by-lined Marion Gaines entitled "King Calls for a New Drive Of Massive Civil Disobedience." u

This article pointed out that on August 15, 1967, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), addressed the Tenth Anniversary SCLC Convention being held in Atlanta, August 14-17, 1967. This address by Reverend King took the place of a scheduled panel discussion on the "Crisis in America's Cities" which was cancelled when two panelists Dr. Kenneth Clark (not further identified) and Bayard Rustin were unable to attend. u

In his address Reverend King accused the Congress of the United States as "running wild with racism" and said that in light of Congress's declination to affirmatively act on pertinent legislative measures it must bear a large portion of the blame for the riots which have recently occurred in many cities. He stated "our real problem is that there is no disposition by the Administration nor Congress to seek fundamental remedies beyond police measures." u

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Reverend King proposed a campaign of "massive civil disobedience" by urban Negroes as a "constructive alternative to riots." He said SCLC will organize and assist this campaign possibly including general strikes, school boycotts, and a camp-in at Washington, D.C., to induce Congress to take action. So far as such a campaign alienating white sympathy, Reverend King explained he felt it would rather encourage white people to offer support u to the civil rights cause.

While discussing his proposed campaign Reverend King referred to the labor movement in the United States claiming that it "grew up on civil disobedience" and said "there are some labor unions which strongly support us." u

He denounced people who presently caution against "rewarding the rioters." The question involved, he explained, "is not one of rewarding the rioters" but is "one of justice." Reverend King, however, warned that armed insurrection on the part of Negroes would not obtain the goals desired and declared "we reject both armed insurrection, either for shock value or conquest, along with weak pleas to insensitive government." He observed however, that "mass civil disobedience can use rage as a constructive and creative force." u

This newspaper article revealed that following his address Reverend King held a news conference during which he said he was unable to furnish details concerning target cities for his proposed civil disobedience campaign. He said the SCLC staff would map out this campaign within u three weeks and stated "I think we've got to do something before Congress adjourns."

Reverend King in referring to his proposed campaign declared "I am convinced civil disobedience can u curtail riots."

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According to the newspaper article Reverend King in his address also referred to the Vietnam war stating "I am unalterably opposed to the war in Vietnam." He alleged that recent riots in the United States were "directly related" to the Vietnam war because "when you develop a climate of violence, it becomes contagious." u

Reverend King claimed that the United States had never throughout history participated in a war which was opposed by so many people stating "opposition has now ascended to a clear majority of Americans and merges with the overwhelming majority of the world. The immoral, insane pursuit of conquest against the will of the people has to diminish respect for government." u

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BAYARD RUSTIN

In "The Saturday Evening Post," issue of July 11 - 18, 1964, page 76, BAYARD RUSTIN is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights." In it, RUSTIN is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party." Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, RUSTIN gave most of his earnings to the "Party." He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, u the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. u

The "Daily Worker," February 11, 1957, page 1, column 2, reported that BAYARD RUSTIN, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America, (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9 - 12, 1957. u

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958. u

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A confidential source advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that BAYARD RUSTIN contacted BENJAMIN J. DAVIS on those dates and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, DAVIS told RUSTIN that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which RUSTIN was to speak. u

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BENJAMIN J. DAVIS

A confidential source advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS was National Secretary of the CP, USA. u

"The New York Times," August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964. u

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Reference	Atlanta Letterhead Memorandum dated and captioned as above.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

EX 106

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

On August 12, 1967, a conference was held by Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, with his aides and advisors to discuss the possible questions that would be put to him during his appearance on "Meet the Press" television program August 13, 1967. Those attending the conference were his principal advisors, Stanley Levison and Edry Wachtel, together with Andrew Young, Program Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and Walter Fauntroy, Director of Washington Bureau, Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

It was agreed that if questioned concerning Stokely Carmichael and H. Rap Brown, former and current chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee respectively, King should not support them. It was decided that the time had come to aggressively "take on" Carmichael and Brown.

King was also counseled to oppose the war in Vietnam if he had the opportunity to do so.

King advised that if questioned concerning communist influence in the civil rights movement, he would reply, "Negroes have been in poverty so long and they have not turned to communism at this point, they will not now."

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**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

Harry Wachtel is a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, an organization which has been designated as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives. Wachtel is a partner in the law firm of Rubin, Wachtel, Baum, and Levine, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. u

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See cover memorandum C. D. Brennan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, August 14, 1967, captioned as above, prepared by DMW:dsm. u

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: August 14, 1967

FROM : C. D. Brennan *CB*

- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

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PURPOSE:

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached be forwarded to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, the White House; Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Attorney General; the Deputy Attorney General; and, Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley, Doar, and Vinson. u

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On August 10, 1967, at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, California, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. addressed a convention of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers, which is composed of Negro members of the real estate profession throughout the country. KING spoke to approximately 370 delegates and his speech was later televised over KQED, San Francisco.

Dr. KING's topic was "Turning Neighborhoods Into Brotherhoods," and had three main points: (1) The Evil of Racism; (2) Poverty in the United States; (3) The War in Vietnam.

Racism:

KING discussed the historical roots of racism beginning with slavery, talked about the Emancipation Proclamation, and then discussed the Negroes present situation, stating that there has never been any real commitment by the white people concerning "black equality." He said racial injustice is "black man's burden and white man's shame." He stated that the roots of racism are very deep in this country and said "the plant of freedom has grown only a bud, not a flower."

Poverty:

In discussing poverty, KING talked about the world situation, India's poor people, Negro unemployment, that 50% of the Negroes in the United States were in substandard housing conditions, that in ghettos Negroes pay more for less, that Negro schools were inadequate, and that Negro children were trapped with no way out of poverty. He stated that whites move to the suburbs and ignore the Negroes. Sometimes, he said, Negroes have given up because they cannot support their families and in trying to escape they turn to dope and alcohol.

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Riots are partly a result of these intolerable conditions. However, riots are self-defeating. He stated his motto is not "Burn Baby Burn, but Build Baby Build, Organize Baby Organize." One cause of riots, he announced, was the nice, gentle, timid, moderate, who is more concerned about order than justice and who is always trying to delay progress. He also lashed out at the middle-class Negroes "who have forgotten the stench of the back waters" and have abandoned their responsibility.

He stated another cause of riots is Congress who is hypercritical and insensitive, and more anti-Negro than anti-riot. He blamed the State Legislatures for refusing to pass fair housing bills, labor unions for keeping Negroes out of unions, and the white clergy for remaining silent. He stated a destructive minority can destroy the majority.

He stated that President JOHNSON is more interested in winning the war in Vietnam than in winning the war on poverty here at home and Congress is more concerned with rats than Negroes.

America, KING said, has plenty of money to solve its problems, but it needs a will and for the Negroes, a massive program like the GI Bill of Rights.

Vietnam War:

KING stated that the Vietnam War was now more serious than anything else in the world. He deplored this war for wasting national resources and destroying lives and society. He said the war has isolated the United States morally and politically, and scarred the image of this nation. The war has directed attention away from civil rights.

The United States has built a climate of violence in the world that is contagious. The United States is fighting against freedom in Vietnam and refuses to recognize the Vietnam fight for independence. The United States is not fighting communism, it is fighting a nationalist movement. He said that if KY were in the United States he would be called an "Uncle Tom" for fighting against his own people.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

KING said the United States should admit it made a mistake in Vietnam. He said one of President KENNEDY's finest moments was admitting, after the Bay of Pigs invasion, that the United States had made a mistake. Therefore, "I call on President JOHNSON tonight to say to the nation and the world that we have made a mistake in Vietnam." KING said the war must stop or the United States is risking being transformed into an inferno "that even Dante couldn't imagine."

In summation of his three main points, KING urged his audience to continue to move forward in these areas and ended by saying, "If you can't fly, run; if you can't run, walk; if you can't walk, crawl, but by all means keep moving."



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[REDACTED] advised that KING, accompanied by BERNARD LEE, departed Los Angeles at the International Airport at 1:35 a.m. via Delta Flight 820, which is scheduled to arrive in Atlanta at 9:44 a.m., 8/11/67. [REDACTED] noted that Dr. KING did not make any public appearances while in the Los Angeles area.

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- 1 - San Francisco (Info) (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - Atlanta (Info) (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - Los Angeles

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurtel 8/10/67.

The San Francisco Office is instructed to obtain a copy of and forward to the Bureau the complete text of the speech given by King before the National Association of Real Estate Brokers on 8/10/67.

This matter should be given expeditious attention.

NOTE:

King spoke in San Francisco before the National Association of Real Estate Brokers Convention, which was all-Negro. Assistant Director Sullivan has requested a copy of the complete text of this speech.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/9/67

FROM : SAC, JACKSON (157-7990) (C)

SUBJECT: ALLEGED OFFER OF \$100,000  
BY WKKKK, JACKSON, MISS.,  
TO ANYONE WHO KILLS MARTIN  
LUTHER KING, JR.;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM  
RM  
OO: JACKSON

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Re Dallas airtels to Bureau dated 6/6 and 7/14/67;  
Kansas City airtel to Bureau dated 7/21/67 *ur 3023*

Enclosed is one copy of an FD-302 showing the  
results of interview with [REDACTED]

Jackson indices are negative regarding [REDACTED]  
informants and sources have no knowledge of alleged offer  
to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and no further information  
has been developed which would lend credence to [REDACTED]  
story.

[REDACTED]

In view of the information this far developed,  
there does not appear to be any basis for further investi-  
gation regarding captioned matter, and this case is being  
closed.

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ENCLOSURE

100-106670-3055

- ② - Bureau (100-106607) (ENC. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Kansas City (157-472) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - Dallas (157-880) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (100-5586) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - Jackson *173*

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[redacted] after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the interview, was told that she did not have to make any statement and that any statements she did make could be used against her in a court of law. She was additionally advised that she had the right to contact an attorney prior to making any statement. [redacted] advised the following:

She is acquainted with [redacted] who is presently serving time in the [redacted] Penitentiary. She frequently corresponds with him. Early in 1964 after becoming acquainted with her, [redacted] rented a room at her residence where he stayed for several weeks. As far as she knows this is the only time [redacted] has spent in Mississippi. She does not believe that [redacted] is involved or ever has been involved in any Klan activities or associated with anyone who was in the Klan. She has never associated with anyone whom she knew to be involved in Klan activities and has never been involved in Klan activities herself. She does not know [redacted] of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM) or anyone associated with the White Knights.

She stated that she does not know any of [redacted] associates, does not know anyone by the name of [redacted] nor has [redacted] ever mentioned [redacted] name. She does not know of any alleged offer of \$100,000 by the WKKKKOM to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. She has never heard of anything similar to this mentioned and claims not to be involved in any such plot, especially since she does not know anyone who is a member of the Klan, especially the White Knights. She does not know anyone by

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On 8/8/67 at Jackson, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-7990

by SA [redacted] ~~100-106670-19~~ Date dictated 8/8/67

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the name of [REDACTED] in the National Guard at Jackson, or anyone recently appointed as a U. S. Marshal at Jackson. She did state, however, that her brother's name is [REDACTED], but he is not in the National Guard, not a member of any Klan group, and does not know [REDACTED]. The only person she knows in the U. S. Marshal's Office is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She also knows [REDACTED] with the U. S. Marshal's Office. She considered both of these persons to be respectable people, and she thought most assuredly they would have no association with any Klan group. b7C

[REDACTED] further advised that she operates the [REDACTED] in Jackson at [REDACTED]. She was born in Jackson, Mississippi, [REDACTED]

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Date: 8/9/67

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57229)  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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*WVY*

*AA* [redacted] *b(2) b7(D)* advised that MARTIN LUTHER KING, accompanied by BERNARD LEE, checked into the International Hotel, Los Angeles at 7:30 p.m. and were assigned rooms 701-703.

The source advised the Los Angeles Office that LEE was scheduled to leave Los Angeles for San Francisco on 8/9/67, whereas KING would leave Los Angeles for San Francisco at 3:00 p.m., 8/10/67. KING is scheduled to meet with ROBERT WEAVER, U. S. Housing Administrator, at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco in the afternoon or evening of 8/10/67.

The foregoing is furnished for information of the San Francisco and Atlanta Divisions.

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- ③ - Bureau (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info.) (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - Atlanta (Info.) (AM-REGISTERED)

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- Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

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August 9, 1967

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

Recently, Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in contact with his principal advisor, Stanley Levison, concerning the article entitled "Rights Leader's Appeal," which appeared in the July 27, 1967, edition of "The New York Times."

Levison indicated he was very upset at the tone of King's statement appearing in this article. He complained that King's statement seemed to condemn the Negro community more than the white community. Levison suggested that King write a letter to "The New York Times" and amplify rather than repudiate this statement. King agreed and Levison replied he would immediately begin writing such a letter.

EXEMPT FROM NOTATION



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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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XEROX COPIES TO MRS. MILDRED STEGALL, THE WHITE HOUSE; ATTORNEY GENERAL; DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL; ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL YEAGLEY, DOAR, AND VINSON.

NOTE:

[REDACTED]

See memorandum C. D. Brennan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 8/8/67, captioned as above, prepared by DMW:scr.

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# Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *Scb*

DATE: 8/8/67

FROM : C. D. Brennan *cb*

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1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan  
1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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*J. A. [unclear]*

PURPOSE:

Attached for your approval for dissemination are communications containing the following:

BACKGROUND:

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[redacted] advised recently that Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in conference with his principal advisor Stanley Levison, long-time secret Communist Party member. Levison was concerned about the article appearing in the 7/27/67 edition of "The New York Times" entitled "Rights Leaders Appeal." Levison indicated he was upset at the tone of King's statement appearing in this article. He complained that King's statement seemed to condemn the Negro community more than the white community.

Levison suggested that King write a letter to "The New York Times" and amplify rather than repudiate this statement. King agreed and Levison replied he would immediately begin writing such a letter.

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Enclosures *sent 8-9-67* CONTINUED - OVER AUG 11 1967  
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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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OBSERVATIONS:

It is felt this contemplated change in policy on the part of King would be of interest to the President. *u*

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That attached communication be forwarded to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House; The Attorney General; Deputy Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley, Doar, and Vinson. *u*

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*JLD*

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*Director approved*  
*the action 8/9 -*

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Date: AUG 8 1967

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**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)**  
**FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-489) (P)**  
**SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC**  
**IS - C**

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Enclosed for the Bureau are nine (9) copies and 735R  
Atlanta three (3) copies of a letterhead memorandum on  
local SCLC activity and future visit of MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
JR.

Re Miami airtel and letterhead memorandum dated  
8/2/67.

SA [REDACTED] received the information  
from [REDACTED]

Miami will continue to follow and report Cominfil  
of SCLC.

- ④ - Bureau (Encs. 9) (RM)
  - ① - 100-106670 (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 3 - Atlanta (Encs. 3) (RM)
  - (1 - 100-5718) (SCLC)
  - (1 - 100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
  - (1 - 100- ) (Rev. T. Y. ROGERS)
- 4 - Miami
  - (1 - 157-489)
  - (1 - 100-15058) (CIRM)
  - (1 - 100-15079) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
  - (1 - 157-1087) (Racial Matters)

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Special Agent in Charge



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

AUG 8 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 157-489

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
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On August 4, 1967, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] furnished the following information:

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The Miami Chapter of the SCLC conducted a conference at the Sir John Hotel, 276 N. W. 6th Street, Miami, Florida, on August 2, 1967. At the meeting were several Negro and white members to hear Reverend T. Y. Rogers, who is Director of Associate Chapters. He was in Miami to outline Dr. Martin Luther King's expected visit to this area and to inform local associates of plans for this area and a nationwide plan for "Operation Breadbasket."

Reverend Rogers informed that "Operation Breadbasket" calls for a boycott of the following companies: Sealtest, California Packing Corporation (Del-Monte), and Kellogg Cereal Company. He stated that the national organization, headed by Dr. King, will call on the Miami people to boycott these three companies. He further stated that he wanted the local Chapter to locate a company or business in the Dade County area to be included in the boycott. He said that they would first try to organize the Ministerial Alliance and then get the public to assist in the boycott. He said that Dr. King will not be in Miami until after the conference of the SCLC leadership organization, which convenes on August 14, 1967, in Atlanta, Georgia.

The local meeting was not very peaceful as several of the charter members were dissatisfied with the present setup. There was dissension as to the way the organization is being run at the present time. Reverend Rogers stated that he was not sure anything of value can be started in Miami.

During his talk, Reverend Rogers indirectly lauded Stokely Carmichael and H. Rap Brown. He said that his organization agrees with their concept of "Black Power" but disagrees with the violent methods of obtaining results.

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**COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE (SCLC)**

He called for the Miami SCLC to determine in what areas they could effect peaceful demonstrations to achieve the success of "Operation Breadbasket."

Reverend Rogers was met at the airport on August 3, 1967, by Mr. Sissel, Director of the Dade County Community Relations Board, and they had a private conference at that time.

Reverend Rogers stated that the City of Miami and Dade County are not meeting the demands of better employment and housing. He said that all Negroes living in slum areas should be instructed to gather roaches in boxes, attend County and City Commission meetings, and release the roaches at these meetings to demonstrate the conditions in which they are forced to live.

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Miss Gandy	_____

8-28 PM URGENT 8-10-67 DEW  
TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, AND LAS VEGAS  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (100-52821)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SECURITY MATTER DASH C. BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH ONE ZERO SIX SIX SEVEN ZERO, ATLANTA ONE HUNDRED DASH EIGHT SIX.

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE AUGUST TEN, INSTANT.

*C. J. ...*

b7(D) [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT KING WAS ARRIVING IN SAN FRANCISCO ON PACIFIC SOUTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT TWO ONE ONE, FROM LOS ANGELES. THIS FLIGHT DUE TO ARRIVE AT THREE THIRTY P.M., THIS DATE.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT KING WOULD ADDRESS A BROKERS CONVENTION AND WOULD SEE SECRETARY ROBERT WEAVER, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

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b7(D) [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT KING AND BERNARD LEE HAD ROOM RESERVATIONS TWO NINE ZERO DASH TWO NINE TWO AT THE HOTEL.

KING IS TO ADDRESS THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REAL ESTATE BROKERS AT THE FAIRMONT HOTEL THIS EVENING. THIS CONVENTION IS ALL NEGRO AND APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED ARE EXPECTED. KING'S ROOM RESERVATIONS ARE FROM FOUR P.M. TO APPROXIMATELY EIGHT P.M., AND KING IS EXPECTED TO DEPART IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BANQUET.

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SOURCE DID NOT KNOW OF KING'S FUTURE ITINERARY.

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*cc Wells*

*S. Gmel*

FBI

Date:

8/3/67

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED  
BY SLIP(S) DATE

*Classified 10/8/87*  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: *WNA* SAC, ATLANTA (157-2680) P  
POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE,  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA,  
TENTATIVE IMPRISONMENT OF  
REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,  
AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA  
RM  
OO: BIRMINGHAM

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Re Birmingham airtel to Bureau 7/10/67 and Atlanta airtel to Bureau 6/15/67 captioned, "CIRM", "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR."

[REDACTED]

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Atlanta will continue to be alert to any information bearing upon captioned matter and promptly furnish same to Bureau and Birmingham.

- 3- Bureau (RM)
- 1- Birmingham (RM)
- 2- Atlanta
  - (1 - 157-2680)
  - (1 - 100-5586) (M.L. KING, JR.)

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*100-100570-305*  
*at 4/4/67*

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*S.P. J. Malt*  
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*cc B...*

Approved: *339* \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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M Per \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: 7/28/67

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Via

AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

(Priority)

To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

From: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (157-NEW)

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Subject: [REDACTED]

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

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- CR  EL  VRA-65  CRA-64
- PA  PE  PF
- BM  BM-Threats  Racial Matters
- Klan  Organization

Summary of Complaint:

Re PH tel to BU and Cleveland, 7/28/67.

Enclosed herewith are 11 copies of an LHM concerning the interview of [REDACTED], which the Bureau may desire to disseminate.

b7(c) b7(D)

Info copies furnished OSI, NISO, Secret Service, MI, and USA, EDPA., locally.

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Two copies furnished Atlanta Office, OO in SNCC, and two copies to Cleveland, Newark, Detroit, and WFO.

- 1 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2) (RM) (AM)
- 2 - Cleveland (Enc. 2) (RM) (AM)
- 2 - Detroit (Enc. 2) (RM) (AM)
- 2 - Newark (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - WFO (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - Philadelphia (1 - 157-New) (1 - 157-2267)

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ACTION: UACB:

- No further action being taken and
- LHM enclosed  Copy furnished to USA
- LHM being submitted
- Report being submitted
- Preliminary investigation instituted
- Limited investigation instituted

JUL 29 1967

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AGENCY: ACSI, OSI, SEC. SER.  
DATE: 8/1/67  
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Approved: [Signature]

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Special Agent in Charge [Signature] Sent 7/28/67

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No.

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

July 28, 1967

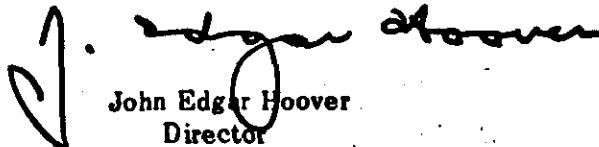
Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1.  Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2.  Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3.  Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4.  U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5.  Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - (a)  Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
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John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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[redacted] was interviewed July 27, 1967,  
at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa.,  
where he is awaiting transfer to [redacted] Federal Peni-  
tentiary, after being sentenced [redacted]

[redacted] advised that prior to the riot which took  
place in Newark, N. J., he told [redacted]  
[redacted] that a riot  
would occur in Newark, N. J., in the near future. [redacted]  
stated [redacted] thought he was kidding. [redacted] stated that  
at that time he did not foretell any riots or racial dis-  
turbances in Detroit, Michigan, [redacted]  
[redacted] returned to the Detention Center and discussed  
the Newark, N. J. riot with [redacted] At this meeting [redacted]  
told [redacted] that the next riot would take place in Cleveland,  
Ohio. [redacted] stated that he did not tell [redacted] when riots  
would occur in Philadelphia, Pa., but only indicated that  
riots would occur before the end of the summer in Philadelphia.

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[redacted] advised that in May 1967 he went to Atlanta,  
Ga., and while there attended a meeting held by the Student  
Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). [redacted] stated  
that he has been involved in civil rights activities and demon-  
strations for the past several years. [redacted]

With regard to the SNCC meeting in Atlanta in May,  
[redacted] stated that this was a three-day meeting, [redacted]  
[redacted] at which time roughly  
150 individuals were attending the meeting and talking of  
Newark, N. J., and the racial problems in that city.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] recalled that the following individuals were in attendance at this meeting:

STOKELY CARMICHAEL

JULIUS HOBSON, who is with ACT  
in Washington, D. C.

STANLEY WISE, of Atlanta, Ga.

MAHATMA GANDHI X, of Atlanta, Ga.

Entertainer DICK GREGORY

[REDACTED] stated that at the meeting the problems in Newark, N. J., Detroit, Michigan, and Cleveland, Ohio, were discussed. [REDACTED] stated that there was no mention at the meeting of causing any riots but that the leaders said that with regard to Newark, Detroit, and Cleveland, "there are a lot of problems in these cities and we ought to solve them." [REDACTED] stated that as far as he is concerned, this meant that whenever the right opportunity presents itself in these cities, a riot will probably ensue. He stated that he knows that SNCC will send representatives to cities which have racial problems and they look for any incident or trouble which could spark a riot. Upon finding such an incident, they will agitate until the people start rioting. At the Atlanta meeting, there was no mention of any other towns in Michigan and, in fact, no mention of any other cities except Newark, Detroit, and Cleveland. b7(c) b7(D)

[REDACTED] stated that since disturbances have occurred in both Newark and Detroit, it is his belief that Cleveland will be the next city to experience riots. [REDACTED] stated that during the last of April 1967, he was in Cleveland, Ohio, and stayed in a room at the Hilton Hotel. [REDACTED] At this same time Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING was staying in the same hotel. [REDACTED] KING was there speaking at some schools.

[REDACTED]

While in Cleveland leaders of the Black Power Movement in Cleveland met Dr. KING in his suite at the hotel and briefed him on the problems in Cleveland. The leader of the Movement in Cleveland is described as Negro male, 6'1" in height, wearing a full beard and mustache and usually wearing a skull cap on his head.

[REDACTED] this individual told Dr. KING what was going to happen in Cleveland and he indicated that "they were going to blow the town apart." [REDACTED] stated that any racial disturbance in Cleveland will probably begin in the Hough area.

[REDACTED] was asked what the plan of attack would be in Cleveland, and he advised that he has no information as to the plan of attack other than the fact that after some incident occurs the crowd will be agitated and the agitator thereafter will leave town.

[REDACTED] stated that he does not know what other cities may experience racial disturbances. He stated that Philadelphia is bound to have racial problems and riots sometime before the end of the summer. He could not give a definite time and could provide no information concerning any plans of individuals associated with SNCC to take part in any disturbances in Philadelphia. He does not know in what sections of the city the disturbances will start.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that the recent Black Power Conference in Newark, N. J., probably was held to set up a new schedule of cities in which racial incidents will be exploited into full-scale riots.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he had no further information concerning possible racial disturbances and stated he had no idea as to when riots would develop in Cleveland, Ohio. He stated that anything further he said concerning these matters would be untrue. He pointed out that if he was not imprisoned he would be able to go to various Black Power meetings and would be able to furnish information concerning proposed demonstrations and riots.

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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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*B. Johnson*

Re Chicago teletype dated 7/26/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are fourteen (14) copies of an LHM concerning captioned individual and his activities in the Chicago area over the period 7/26-28/67.

Copies are being furnished Atlanta, Cleveland, and Washington Field as indicated below for information and a copy is being provided Detroit in connection with the activities here of Dr. ROBERT GREEN, Michigan State University, active in the SCLC Jobs Program in Chicago.

Chicago is following and the Bureau will be advised of any subsequent information.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
RACIAL MATTER

A confidential source, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised the Chicago Federal Bureau of Investigation Office on July 26, 1967, that Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), arrived in Chicago, Illinois, on this date via Delta Air Lines, Flight 832, from Atlanta, Georgia. Information available to this source reflected that King was to depart Chicago via Flight 372, American Air Lines, at 6:05 PM, July 27, 1967, for Washington, D. C., and on July 28, 1967, King was scheduled to depart Washington, D. C. via Northwestern Flight 79 to Cleveland, Ohio.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was aware of Doctor King's arrival in Chicago and said that King was to hold a press conference later this afternoon on Chicago's west side.

The July 27, 1967 edition of the "Chicago Sun-Times", a daily Chicago newspaper, contained an article relating to the press conference held by King the previous day. The press conference had been held at the Friendship Baptist Church, 3411 West Douglas Boulevard, and present with King at this press conference had been Doctor Robert Green, identified in the article as a Michigan State University Educational Psychologist who heads the SCLC Jobs Program in the Lawndale area of Chicago's west side.

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King was the featured speaker at this press conference and during its course handed out a statement to the assembled news media on the Chicago Adult Education Project in Lawndale. A copy of this news release is attached to this memorandum.

In response to questions King had blamed the United States Congress for "creating the atmosphere" behind the recent rash of Negro riots. He stated as follows:

"This Congress voted out of existence a rent supplement bill; which drastically cut back the demonstration city's program; which voted down a rat control program.

"This is the same Congress that votes about 35 billion a year to fight an unjust, ill-considered war in Vietnam. It is creating the atmosphere of riots. We vote a war on poverty and only finance a squirmish."

King described the education program which the SCLC is sponsoring in the Lawndale area as the kind of program needed to eliminate riot causes. He said corrective programs are needed to eliminate problems of an older and more sinister kind of violence being perpetrated daily against the human beings who dwell in the "inferno" that is the urban slum. He described the violence which is perpetrated against the slum dweller as social, economic, and political oppression which has created disorder in the ghettos and dehumanized the inhabitants.

Doctor Green spoke briefly about the job training program of the SCLC, advising that it is committed to train and place in employment approximately 537 persons for which the United States Government, through a grant from the United States Office of Education, will pay SCLC up to \$109,000. He said the training will include reading, effective speaking and consumer education.

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On July 27, 1967

[REDACTED] that Doctor King remained in Chicago as of the late evening hours.

[REDACTED] had learned that King had been scheduled to leave Chicago, from O'Hare International Airport, at approximately 10:00 PM and had confirmed travel on this flight. Subsequent information developed, however, that King had not in fact left Chicago on the flight as scheduled.

[REDACTED] reflected that while in Chicago, King had resided with the SCLC Legal Counselor Chauncey Eskridge; further, that in the morning hours of July 27, 1967, had been in conference with representatives of local Chicago Civil Rights groups at the offices of the Chicago Urban League, 4500 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

[REDACTED] advised that as of the late evening hours of July 27, 1967, there had been no incidents or disturbances in Chicago in connection with the presence here of Doctor King.

[REDACTED]

Information available to the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as of the afternoon of July 28, 1967, reflected that Doctor King was scheduled to arrive in Cleveland at 4:35 PM on that date in connection with a current SCLC program in that city.

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RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Statement by  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference  
Friendship Baptist Church  
Chicago, Illinois  
July 26, 1967

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The start of the Chicago Adult Education Project in Lawndale by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference under a grant from the U. S. Office of Education, Adult Education Division, is timely and propitious.

In the midst of a summer of violent disruption in so many of our cities, most recently Newark and Detroit, an older and more sinister kind of violence is yet perpetrated against the human beings who dwell in the inferno, namely the urban slum.

I speak of the social, economic and political oppression as violence because I so very clearly understand how these forces create disorder among men, women and children in places like Lawndale. I have chosen the term "violence" because I see daily the ravaging effects of the ruthless dehumanization of the urban poor.

The responsibility to examine this violence is compelling and urgent. People in the slums are dying spiritually even as people have been killing each other in the streets. If America is to see the end of social disorder in the ghetto, she must face up to its causes and eradicate them.

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Americans must ask themselves why riots occur, and this means re-opening all the questions of the brutality, discrimination, segregation, racism and sheer oppression which literally beat people into submission. That is the kind of rampant violence that is being committed against millions of people in the slums every single day -- in the hot summer, yes, but in the long, cooler seasons as well.

Those who occupy positions of power in government and industry and who have been loudly deploring violence in streets where they are not forced to live would do well to speak and act against the violence I am talking about. No amount of so-called "anti-riot" legislation, penned in the ink of personal vengeance, will put an end to so-called "riots". No moralizing about hard work and study will move an under-educated man off the streets and into a decent job. No admonishments about good home life will save a child who began life in a crowded, infested neighborhood and has fallen behind the other children of America before he ever sets foot in a classroom.

We do not need measures like the "anti-riot" bill which has sailed through the House of Representatives; we need legislation like the "anti-rat" bill and the rent-supplement proposal which were hooted down in that same chamber, or the model cities program that suffered large economic cutbacks.

We do not need to be told about lack of skills; we need programs to acquire them. We do not need preachments about family life; we need good housing and good education for our families.

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference for ten years has sought to bring about creative, constructive social change through nonviolent action programs. That is why we are here today. We have not given up the philosophy that violence can be overcome by nonviolence.

Achieving change in Lawndale, however, is different from securing the right to vote in the South, in the sense that significant change in the ghetto requires resources which are not at our disposal.

Nevertheless, we are willing and eager to join with the forces of Lawndale, the City of Chicago and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in this innovative adult education project, because here is a chance, made possible by government funds, to make a direct attack on poverty in the slums.

The reason for having programs like this is obvious in Lawndale. Here is the most densely populated community in Chicago. Some 170,000 residents are crowded into three and one-half square miles. About 98 per cent of them are Negroes, many of them refugees from the South. The average family income is \$3,600 compared to \$6,738 for the entire city. Unemployment in Lawndale often is 30 per cent or even higher. Under-employment

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in part-time, low-paying jobs also keeps thousands of people in Lawndale in poverty. One-fifth of the people are on welfare, with little or no hope of escape. The average monthly rent they pay is higher -- usually for overcrowded and substandard apartments -- while rent levels in many spacious, white working-class neighborhoods in the city are lower.

Our aim goes beyond a stopgap program to obtain a few jobs. We are prepared, first, to go into the streets and homes of Lawndale and find hundreds of people who are in dire need of meaningful employment. Next, we shall counsel these people with fundamental information which is familiar to affluent Americans but strange and forbidding to so many of the poor and uneducated; reading, writing, consumer education, how to apply for a job, where to apply, what to do and say in applying, how to appear. Then, we shall actively seek out jobs. A beneficial part of this process will be the enlightenment of employers about the responsibility to hire impoverished and under-educated people and provide on-the-job training when necessary. This should be as important a part of employment and promotion policies as are such matters as wage scales, vacations and fringe benefits.

I might add that when we approach employers, we do so without rancor toward them for their existing practices. Our considerable experience in finding jobs for Negroes has taught us that most employers have been rational and mature about hiring when they came to see the problems Negroes face.

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If anyone questions whether a civil rights organization such as SCLC should be involved in a project of this nature, I would reply that this is precisely one type of work which we take as a very serious responsibility. We are in the unique position of knowing the people of the slums and understanding their problems, because we have been working here. Furthermore, we have been able to secure the superb professional skills necessary for the administration and execution of this project, under the able direction of Dr. Robert L. Green, an Associate Professor of Educational Psychology at Michigan State University.

We do not view this project in Lawndale as a two-month excursion; we see it as an attempt to launch a continuing program in Chicago which hopefully can be extended to many other urban centers. We look forward to such an extension after this project is evaluated two months from now.

As Joseph Alsop wrote just a few days ago, "To meet the immediate emergency - and it is an emergency, as Newark proved - something like an urban WPA needs to be started forthwith and on a big scale." This new project in Chicago can be a ray of hope for developing programs for which Mr. Alsop so eloquently argues.

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Dr. Robert L. Green, Director

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The Southern Christian Leadership Conference, headed by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has received a grant from the U. S. Office of Education, Adult Education Division, to conduct a two-month experimental program in basic Adult Education in Chicago.

The program will be concentrated in the Lawndale area, where the unemployment rate is 30% or higher. Approximately 95% of the residents of Lawndale are Negroes.

Approximately 1,000 students will be trained in basic reading, writing, communication skills and consumer education, with special emphasis on those skills which will enable the participants to obtain and keep a meaningful job.

An intensive effort will be made to place every student on a well-paying job. Over 2,000 jobs have been opened to Negroes in Chicago as a result of SCLC's Operation Breadbasket, and the project will attempt to place many students in those jobs.

Classes for the adult students will be conducted by professional teachers, assisted by teachers' aides who will be residents of the community.

Classes will be held from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon every week day, at eight Lawndale churches.

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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The July 27, 1967, edition of "The New York Times"  
page 19 published under the caption "Rights Leaders'  
what was referred to as a "joint statement on  
violence issued yesterday by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther  
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BENJAMIN J. DAVIS

A confidential source advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS was National Secretary of the CP, USA. *u*

"The New York Times," August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of *de* August 22, 1964.

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BAYARD RUSTIN

In "The Saturday Evening Post," issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, BAYARD RUSTIN is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights." In it, RUSTIN is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party." Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York RUSTIN gave most of his earnings to the "Party." He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states. u

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. u

The "Daily Worker," February 11, 1957, page 1, column 2, reported that BAYARD RUSTIN, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) held in New York City on February 9-12, 1957. u

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

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A confidential source advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that BAYARD RUSTIN contacted BENJAMIN J. DAVIS on those dates and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, DAVIS told RUSTIN that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which RUSTIN was to speak. (u) f

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Re: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION  
OF THE SCLC

The August 2, 1967, edition of "The Miami Herald," on Page 1, contained an article reflecting that according to Reverend T. Y. Rogers, Director of SCLC affiliates, King will be in Miami later this week for meetings with local members of his SCLC. Rogers said that King would have arrived earlier but was delayed in Cleveland while working on "Operation Breadbasket," an SCLC program to improve Negroes' jobs, housing, and living conditions.

According to the article, Rogers, in recent days, has been in Jacksonville, West Palm Beach, and St. Augustine, Florida, in efforts to rejuvenate SCLC chapters.

According to Rogers, the government on all levels has failed to meet its responsibilities in race relations, rendering Negro leaders ineffective by accusing them of radicalism.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Miami, Florida  
August 2, 1967

Title                   **COMMUNIST INFILTRATION  
OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)**

Character               **INTERNAL SECURITY - C**

Reference               **Memorandum, dated and captioned as  
above, at Miami, Florida.**

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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*C.P. Benjamin*

Re CV tags 7-28 and 7-29-67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM concerning captioned matters. Two copies each being forwarded AT and CG in view of their continuing interest in these matters. Copies are also being furnished local military intelligence agencies, Secret Service, and USA, CV.

The Bureau and interested offices and agencies will be advised of further developments in these matters.

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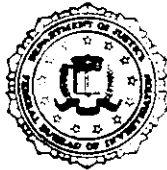
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August 4, 1967

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On July 28, 1967, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., would arrive at the Cleveland airport at 4:35 p.m. on that day for a two-day "people-to-people" tour of the Negro community in connection with the current voter registration campaign.

[REDACTED] stated that no demonstrations will be held in connection with Dr. KING's visit and that KING will address the people who happen to be in the area of his stops at shopping centers, playgrounds and similar places.

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An article in "The Cleveland Press", daily newspaper, issue of July 29, 1967, stated that during his tour, Dr. KING called one Cleveland street the worst slum he has ever seen. He said that his program here, which is being carried out in conjunction with the United Pastors Association, will call for rent strikes in the near future in order to bring about improvements in housing. He stated that they did not plan to call for citywide rent strikes, but they would be started in small areas at various times.

The article also stated that at his stops, Dr. KING called for the people to register to vote and to become active in politics. He spoke against the recent violence throughout the country and stated that the black power he recommends is for Negroes to organize in voting, in boycotting business places that do not employ adequate numbers of Negroes and in refusing to pay rent to landlords who fail to provide decent housing.

Dr. KING disclosed the demands his group has made on Sealtest, the first target of a Negro boycott here in the

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**RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Operation Breadbasket program. The demands included hiring more Negroes and putting some in the \$10,000 and \$15,000 jobs. Other demands include an on-the-job-training program, placing advertising in the local Negro newspaper and depositing money, in Negro savings and loan associations.

He also announced that the A & P Company, whose stores had been picketed in the Negro areas in the protest against Sealtest, had agreed to remove Sealtest milk and ice cream from its stores. Dr. KING stated that they had found that A & P carries 28 other items under other names that are made by Sealtest and he would not call for an end to the boycott until all of them were removed.

The article noted that Dr. KING spoke at a banquet at a local Negro church on the evening of July 28, 1967. He called for an effective attack on poverty as a means of forestalling rioting in big city ghettos and was quoted as saying, "When Negroes stand for violence and riots, I must stand up and say, 'This is not the right way.'"

An article in "The Plain Dealer", daily Cleveland newspaper, issue of July 30, 1967, stated that while Dr. KING avoided mentioning any candidate by name at his stops, he let it be known that he favors CARL B. STOKES, a Negro candidate in the October 3 Democratic mayoral primary. According to the article, Dr. KING urged Negroes to register and vote and to use their economic powers to move ahead. He predicted that rent strikes will be underway here within a few weeks.

On July 29, 1967 [REDACTED] advised that there were no incidents or disturbances in connection with Dr. KING's visit and that KING had departed the Cleveland airport at approximately 7:00 p.m. for Washington, D. C., on that date. b7(D)

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop *fw*

FROM : M. A. Jones *2*

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE STATEMENTS

DATE: 7-31-67

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Pursuant to instructions, we have checked immediately available source material for statements by Martin Luther King condoning civil disobedience.

According to an article in the June 13, 1967, issue of "The New York Times," King stated at a press conference, when questioned concerning the Supreme Court decision that he must go to jail in Alabama for 5 days for violating a court order, "In all good conscience we cannot obey unjust laws; neither can we obey unjust use of the courts."

In a conference with Chicago police officials on January 27, 1966, King reportedly made the following statement concerning civil disobedience and civil rights demonstrations: "It may be necessary to engage in such acts. Often an individual has to break a particular law in order to obey a higher law."

By letterhead memorandum dated March 29, 1965, the New York Office advised that King appeared on the "Meet the Press" television program March 28th. King commented concerning the civil rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama; and the New York Office's letterhead memorandum reflects the following: "King stated that he did not consider that he violated the law by marching in Selma, in defiance of a court injunction, since attorneys had advised that it was an invalid order. King said there are two types of laws according to his thinking: 1. The just law which has a moral obligation to obey and 2. The unjust law which has a moral obligation to defy. King said he does not believe in defying or evading laws, but stated the chief norm in his actions is to accept the penalty if his conscience tells him the law is unjust." (It is noted that the above paragraph is not a direct quote from King.)

On April 4, 1967, King gave a speech at Riverside Church in New York in which he definitely encouraged contempt for the United States Government by stating, "I could never again raise my voice against the violence of the oppressed

- 1 - Mr. Bishop
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M. A. Jones to Bishop (Continued)  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING

in the ghettos without having first spoken clearly to the greatest purveyor of violence in the world today--my own Government."

It is also noted that King had a prominent role in the April 15, 1967, anti-Vietnam demonstration in New York--at which demonstration the American flag was burned. In a North American Newspaper Alliance column concerning King dated April 25, 1967, Ernest Cuneo remarked concerning this New York demonstration, "Presiding over a vast assembly at United Nations Plaza was the Rev. Martin Luther King, Nobel Peace Prize Winner. Of this not very reverent nor not very peaceful man, the Chicago Chief of Police remarked, 'Wherever he goes to preach non-violence, violence breaks out.' In ticking off the American cities where he 'fears' violence, Martin Luther King was doing nothing of the kind. He was naming the cities where he is encouraging it."

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Re Columbia teletype dated 7/30/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a LHM that are suitable for dissemination in captioned matter and two copies of LHM are enclosed for Atlanta.

*[Redacted]* Agent, MIG, Charleston, S.C., was advised at 6:45 p.m., 7/30/67.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Columbia, South Carolina  
July 31, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT  
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
JULY 30, 1967

Reference is made to the previous memorandum dated July 26, 1967.

Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., arrived at Charleston, South Carolina, at 1:18 p.m., July 30, 1967, and attended a speaking engagement at County Hall, Charleston, South Carolina, where he spoke before an estimated 3000 persons. He departed for Atlanta from Charleston at 6:20 p.m., July 30, 1967.

There were no incidents during King's visit to Charleston, South Carolina.

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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Enclosed are ten copies of an LHM reporting information received from [redacted], a source close to STANLEY LEVISON. Two copies of this LHM are enclosed for the Atlanta Office.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.  
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On July 29, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on that date, Martin Luther King, Jr. was in conference with Stanley Levison, his New York advisor, concerning a letter to "The New York Times" amplifying King's position on the recent riots. Levison furnished the text of the letter to be sent over King's signature. The text of this letter is as follows:

"The New York Times", in addition to a number of creative editorials, did a service in publishing the full statement of four negro organizational leaders, urging an end to the riots. However, in any joint statement it is never possible to fully express the views of each participant, nor can it reflect individual emphasis. I would like to add a few points I believe are relevant to the discussion. In the effort to make a strong appeal to the negro community to act with responsibility, an impression is possible that the principal culpability resides with negroes. It is incontestable that the principal actors are negroes, but if the provocations to which they are subject are obscured, the end of justice and clarity will not be served. Many tragic crimes have occurred, but in describing looting, assaults and arson alone, the crime of economic and social policy which negroes do not make, are unjustly omitted. The rioters have behaved irrationally, but are they any more irrational than those who expect injustice eternally to be endured? To do too little to relieve the agony of negro life is as inflammatory as inciting to riot. To put an Asian war of dubious national interest far above domestic needs in the order of priorities and to pit it against reforms that were delayed a century is worse than a blind policy.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.

"It is a provocative policy. To treat the outburst as a single expression of a whole people is over-simplification and tends to fasten guilt of a few on the many. In actual fact the riots are not phenomena but an intricate linking of disparate tendencies. Many negroes used the occasion in a distorted caricature of protest to attack property but refrained from attacking persons. Millions of negroes separated themselves from it totally. A tiny minority, unorganized, numbering a few hundred at the most, used the circumstances to initiate and launch a policy of terrorism. It can only aggravate race relations to see the miniscule stream of terrorism as the principal feature of the whole event.

There is blood on the hands of some negroes who should, and will pay the price society exacts. What of the blood on the hands of Congress; that sneered at a modest bill to control the rats that daily bite and scar negro babies in the ghettos; that emasculated a Model Cities program; that killed rent subsidies; that, with Administration cooperation, is more than halving anti-poverty programs long overdue, and as grossly inadequate as they are desperately needed. What shall be said of the White Society that coldly stiffened its resistance to reform despite these solemn prophetic words of the conservative McComb Commission, expressed some two years ago following Watts, 'The existing breach, if allowed to persist, could in time split our society irretrievably. So serious and so explosive is the situation that unless it is checked the August riots may seem, by comparison, to be only a curtain-raiser for what could blow up one day in the future.' Unheeded for two years the day in the future arrived. Should not all the culprits be put in the dock together, White and Negro? Negroes have awakened to their rights and dignity and to the unutterable wretchedness of their lives simultaneously. It will take more statesmanship, more humanity and more sacrifice by the white society to solve this problem than is presently manifest, but without it tranquility and social harmony will continue to elude us, because the day is past that the violence of the white majority can serve to quell the stirring of a people, a people deprived and rebuked in the most shameful repression America has perpetrated with impunity for 350 years. In the 18th century, Thomas Jefferson said, 'I tremble for my nation when I reflect that God is Just'. He would have little reason to diminish his concern in the second half of the 20th century."

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

DATE: 8/4/67

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (100-35357-24)

*for B.A. Goss*

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM - C

*for*

Re Atlanta airtel to Director dated 7/21/67, entitled as above.

Enclosed to the Bureau and Atlanta is a Xerox copy of a newspaper clipping from "The Harvard Crimson," dated 11/17/65. This is the only information identifiable with HUBERT E. SAPP in the files of the Boston Office.

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# AAAAAS Opens Teen Workshop

The Harvard-Radcliffe Association of African and Afro-American students this week opened a "Freedom Workshop" at the Cambridge Community Center.

The purpose of the workshop, according to James M. Wiley '66, president of AAAAS, is to provide "supplementary education for other children."

Six members of AAAAS have begun teaching classes at the Community Center, which is located in a racially-mixed neighborhood southwest of Central Square. The Harvard students will discuss such topics as the history of civil rights and the relation of the American Negro to Africa with children from ages 12 to 18.

Wiley said, "The program should give children lacking self-confidence the opportunity to speak honestly and express their opinions. It will also provide subject matter not available in public school classrooms."

Helen E. Papp '67, director of the pilot project, said that classes will continue for the rest of the school year, meeting at least twice a month. He added that the group at present included white as well as Negro teenagers.

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CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
JULY 30, 1967  
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The Bureau will be kept advised of all pertinent  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Columbia, South Carolina  
July 26, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT  
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
JULY 30, 1967

Refer to previous correspondence June 21 and July 15, 1967.

[REDACTED] advised on July 26, 1967, that he has been informed that one [REDACTED] a white male in his early twenties who resides at [REDACTED] and who hangs out [REDACTED] told several persons that he plans to kill Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. when he comes to Charleston, South Carolina.

[REDACTED] according to [REDACTED] has not indicated how he plans to kill KING.

He advised that [REDACTED] is employed [REDACTED] where KING is scheduled to speak on the afternoon of July 30, 1967.

[REDACTED] advised he is trying to determine [REDACTED] plans to open [REDACTED] on July 30, 1967, at the time KING is scheduled to speak.

[REDACTED] pointed out that he knows nothing about [REDACTED] but has been told he associates with the son

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT  
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
JULY 30, 1967

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of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] He added [REDACTED] son has a mental problem and has been a patient at the South Carolina State Hospital several times in the past.

[REDACTED] stated he is considering surveilling [REDACTED] during the entire time Dr. KING is in Charleston, South Carolina, and taking him into custody if he can find a reason to arrest him.

[REDACTED] stated he has been informed [REDACTED] that KING will arrive at the Charleston, South Carolina, Municipal Airport at about noon, July 30, 1967, and will depart Charleston, South Carolina, by air as soon as the program which begins at 3 P. M. is concluded.

He stated that two Negro Detectives [REDACTED] will meet KING at the airport and will stay with KING until he leaves Charleston the same day.

He further stated that County Hall, Charleston, South Carolina, will be searched by the Fire Department and the Police Department the morning of July 30, 1967, and will be guarded by the Police Department until the meeting is concluded.

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August 1, 1967

100-106670-

Honorable Larry Winn, Jr.  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Congressman:

*Handwritten notes:*  
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C. J. [unclear]  
Baker  
[unclear]

I have received your communication of July 28th together with the letters from [redacted] Ottawa, Kansas, and [redacted] Lawrence, Kansas.

With respect to your constituents' inquiries concerning Sotekely Carmichael, you may wish to advise them that the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, does not determine whether prosecution will be undertaken in any situation. Such decisions concerning violations of Federal law are within the province of the United States Department of Justice.

They may be assured, however, the FBI is aware of the activities of this individual and any information obtained which might indicate a violation of Federal law over which this Bureau has investigative jurisdiction will be furnished to the United States Department of Justice for prosecutive consideration.

Your enclosures are being returned as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of [redacted] or [redacted] Congressman Winn is a freshman Congressman who was elected 11-8-66. On 2-2-67 the Congressman expressed to SA [redacted] his willingness to be of assistance to the Bureau if needed.

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

July 28 1967

Congressional Liaison  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

*Larry Winn Jr.*  
Larry Winn Jr. M. C.

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OTTAWA, KANSAS 66067  
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JUL 28 1967

July 26, 1967

Hon. Larry Winn, Jr.  
United States Representative.  
House Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Winn:

The violence in our cities these past few days, should bring the Congress to it's feet.

Recently the Topeka Capitol published a list of the ten most wanted criminals by the F.B.I. But Stokley Carmichael was not on that list. How, can a man like Carmichael get a passport to spread his hate around the world?

Martin Luther King's statement over TV yesterday " He was sorry for the riots" yes his "Long hot summer speech" from Chicago helped to start it all.

It's about time for Congress to start to work.

Sincerely yours.

[REDACTED]  
Ottawa, Kansas. 66067

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TO DIRECTOR 100-106670  
FROM ATLANTA 100-5586

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SECURITY MATTER - C  
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REMYTEL JULY TWENTYFIVE INSTANT, AND AT PHONE CALL TO BUREAU.

AT PRESS CONFERENCE ATLANTA, GA., JULY TWENTYFIVE, KING READ TELEGRAM HE SENT TO PRESIDENT. IN TELEGRAM KING STATED THE CHAOS AND DESTRUCTION WHICH NOW SPREADS THROUGH OUR CITIES IS A BLIND REVOLT AGAINST CONDITIONS WHICH PRESIDENT SET OUT TO REMEDY IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR. KING STATED "THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE VIOLENCE AND DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY MUST BE HALTED, BUT CONGRESS HAS CONSISTENTLY REFUSED TO VOTE A HALT TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE LIVES OF NEGROES IN THE GHETTO". KING BLAMED THE OUTBREAKS ON UNEMPLOYMENT PARTICULARLY AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE. HE RECOMMENDED THAT CONGRESS CREATE A NATIONAL AGENCY TO PROVIDE JOBS TO EVERY PERSON WHO NEEDS WORK, YOUNG AND OLD, WHITE AND NEGRO. FURTHER STATED THAT THIS IS AN EMERGENCY STATE AS SURE AS WAS THE REVENUE CRISIS IN THE RAILROADS AND UNLESS CONGRESS CAN BE MOTIVATED TO ACT IMMEDIATELY UPON SOME CREATIVE AND MASSIVE PROGRAM TO END UNEMPLOYMENT "WE FACE THE POSSIBLE SPREAD OF THIS TRAGIC DESTRUCTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY."

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, ISSUE OF JULY TWENTYFIFTH CONTAINS ARTICLE WRITTEN BY RON TAYLOR CONCERNING KING PRESS CONFERENCE. ARTICLE STATES "DR. KING CONDEMNED THE PRESENT RIOTS SAYING 'THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE VIOLENCE AND DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY MUST BE HALTED' HE ADDED, HOWEVER, ' BUT CONGRESS HAS CONSISTENTLY REFUSED TO VOTE A HALT TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE LIVES OF NEGROES IN THE GHETTO". ARTICLE ALSO STATES THAT KING SAID CONCERNING THE RECENT PETITION OF SUMMERHILL RESIDENTS IN ATLANTA CONDEMNING RIOTS " I THINK IT'S A VERY GOOD THING. CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAMS BY PEOPLE AT THE LOCAL LEVEL CAN OFTEN HELP WARD OFF RIOTS, BUT WE MUST KEEP IN MIND THE REASONS THAT WE HAVE NOT LET THEM BE OVERLOOKED"

[REDACTED] ADVISED JULY TWENTYFIVE THAT [REDACTED] NEWS FILM OF KING'S PRESS CONFERENCE. b7(D)

[REDACTED] STATED THAT IN RESPONSE TO REPORTERS QUESTIONS KING SAID THE PRESIDENT WAS JUSTIFIED IN CALLING TROOPS IN DETROIT. WHEN RIOTS ERUPT THEY MUST BE STOPPED. KING SAID HE DOES NOT CONDONE VIOLENCE.

END.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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TO DIRECTOR  
FROM ATLANTA

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*C. DeLoach*  
*B. Bishop*

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C.

RE NEW YORK TELEPHONE CALL TO ATLANTA JULY 25 INSTANT.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

ADVISED MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., EXPECTED TO HOLD NEWS  
CONFERENCE 11 AM JULY 25 INSTANT AT EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH,  
ATLANTA. SUBJECT MATTER OF KING'S NEWS CONFERENCE NOT  
CURRENTLY KNOWN TO SUIT.

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ATLANTA WILL FOLLOW AND PROMPTLY FURNISH PERTINENT  
DETAILS TO BUREAU.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
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- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 7/28/67

FROM : C. D. Brennan

- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

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ON 1-27-81  
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PURPOSE:

Attached for your approval for dissemination are communications containing the following: u

BACKGROUND:

On July 19, 1967, [redacted] advised that Stanley Levison, long-time secret Communist Party member and adviser to Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in contact with King concerning the recent racial riots. Levison suggested King advocate a new program which would be implemented by the Federal Government similar to the Works Project Administration of the 1930's. Also, Levison dictated a press release to King's secretary on 7/24/67, which King was to use the next day. b(2) b7(D)

In addition on July 25, 1967, his advisers urged King to issue a statement that would not condemn violence in the cities, but would in a sense condone it. He was also to rebut the statements made by the President the night of July 24, 1967.

This information was disseminated to the President, the Attorney General, and his staff.

In his press conference King announced he had sent a telegram to the President urging the creation of a national agency similar to the Works Project Administration. An examination of the telegram discloses that a large percentage was taken verbatim from the press release prepared by Levison. However, it is interesting to note that during the press conference King stated he condemned the present riots and did not condone violence. He also supported the President's use of Federal troops to deal with rioting in Detroit, Michigan.

OBSERVATIONS:

Although King used a large percentage of Levison's press release in his telegram to the President, he did not follow the subversive adviser's recommendations completely. It is felt this fact should be brought to the attention of the President and the Attorney General. The telegram sent to the President by King will be included in the letter to the Attorney General.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
100-106670

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the attached be forwarded to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House; Attorney General; Deputy Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Doar. *u*

*W.C.S.*

*W.C.S.*

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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JUL 30 1967

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*Randy [Signature]*

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670)  
FROM COLUMBIA (100-106)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT CHARLESTON,  
SOUTH CAROLINA JULY THIRTY. SM-C

*re*

RE CO AIRTEL SEVEN TWENTYSIX LAST.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING ARRIVED CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
VIA DELTA AIRLINES ABOUT ONE EIGHTEEN P.M. TODAY. KING MADE  
ADDRESS AT CHARLESTON COUNTY AUDITORIUM AT FOUR P.M. AND  
FOLLOWING ADDRESS DEPARTED CHARLESTON VIA DELTA AIRLINES AT  
SIX TWENTY P.M. FOR RETURN TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

NO INCIDENTS IN CONNECTION WITH VISIT AND RACIAL SITUATION  
IN CHARLESTON SUBSEQUENT TO KINGS DEPARTURE NORMAL.  
LHM FOLLOWS.

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*S. [Signature]*

*copy to D.M. Wells*  
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VIA TELETYPE  
JUL 27 1967  
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TO DIRECTOR 100-106670 AND WASHINGTON FIELD

ATT. DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

FROM NEW YORK 100-136565 1P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C

Security Matter - Communist

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ON JULY TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTY SEVEN

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ADVISED STANLEY LEVISON, KING'S NEW YORK ADVISOR, THAT KING WILL DEPART CHICAGO LATE EVENING INSTANT DATE FOR WASHINGTON, DC. KING TO STAY WASHINGTON HILTON AND WILL DELIVER SPEECH AT WASHINGTON, D.C. ON MORNING OF JULY TWENTY EIGHT. AM COPIES TO ATLANTA AND CHICAGO.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. D.M. Wells

July 31, 1967

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Mrs. Mildred Stegall  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Stegall:

On July 25, 1967, I telephonically advised the President that Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, possessed information indicating there was a plan to riot and burn the Loop District in Chicago, Illinois. I also informed the President that King was to hold a press conference in Atlanta, Georgia, on that day concerning the racial unrest plaguing our country.

As you know, King's principal adviser, Stanley Levison, a concealed communist, had previously urged King to publicly suggest that a dramatic new program be adopted similar to the Works Project Administration of the 1930's. Also, Levison dictated a press release to King's secretary on July 24, 1967, which King was to use the next day. In addition, King's advisers urged him to issue a statement that would not condemn violence in the cities, but would in a sense condone it. He was also urged to rebut the statements made by the President the night of July 24, 1967.

In his press conference, King announced he had sent a telegram to the President urging the creation of a national agency similar to the Works Project Administration. An examination of the telegram discloses that a large percentage was taken verbatim from the press release prepared by Levison. Enclosed is a copy of the telegram for your ready reference.

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Mrs. Mildred Stegall

However, it is interesting to note that during the press conference, King stated he condemned the present riots and did not condone violence. He also supported the President's use of Federal troops to deal with the rioting in Detroit, Michigan. u

The above information is being furnished the Attorney General, together with a copy of King's telegram. u

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

NOTE:

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Classified "Secret" as the information is from [redacted] a highly sensitive source with respect to the racial situation. The unauthorized disclosure of this information could impair the security of the informant who is of continuing value and thus be injurious to the national security. X

See memorandum captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., Security Matter - C," dated 7/28/67, prepared by DMW:scr. u

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Date: 7/25/67

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)  
SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC  
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(OO: ATLANTA)

Re NY teletype dated 7/24/67, concerning conference between STANLEY LEVISON and DORA MC DONALD, Secretary to MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Enclosed are 10 copies of a LHM reporting information contained in re communication. \_\_\_\_\_ was the source of the information in the LHM.

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- 2 - Atlanta (100-5718) (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 1 - Detroit (100- ) (Encl. 1) (INFO) (RM)
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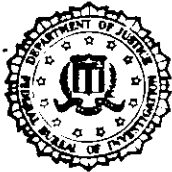
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

July 25, 1967

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Communist Infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference (SCLC)  
Internal Security - C

On July 24, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison, New York advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr., furnished a press release to Dora McDonald, secretary to King, pertaining to the racial situation in Detroit, for release by King. The text of this release, as furnished by Levison, is as follows:

"As the flames of riot and revolt illuminate the skies over American cities there is an intense desire to restore normality. Normality means that Negroes should cease looting stores while the White society resumes looting Negro lives. While no one should condone anti-social acts of Negroes nor should White America rationalize its destruction and depredations of its black minorities. The storm warnings have been posted a hundred times far in advance but those who have the power to create solutions have created trivialities and diversions. If it is wrong for Negroes to loot and burn, it is even a more horrible wrong for White armed forces to shoot to kill for larceny. This is an example of the moral degradation, hypocrisy and confusion seeping through society which ultimately must destroy its positive values. I do not think we are helpless; we are only acting helplessly. I should like to offer a single proposal that I am convinced will be as effective as it is just. Every single outbreak without exception has substantially been ascribed to gross unemployment

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"particularly among young people. In most cities for Negro youth it is greater than the unemployment level of the depression 30's. Let us do one simple, direct thing -- let us end unemployment totally and immediately. In the depression days the nation was close to prostrate on the brink of bankruptcy. Yet, it created the WPA to make millions of jobs instantly available for all existing levels of skill. The jobs were tailored to the man, not the man to the job. In recognition of the emergency. Training followed employment, it did not precede it and become an obstacle to it. What we did three decades ago during an economic holocaust can easily be done today in the comfort of prosperity. I propose specifically the creation of a national agency that shall provide a job to every person who needs work, young and old. White and Negro. Not 100 jobs when 10,000 are needed. Not some cheap way out. Not some frugal device to maintain a balanced budget within an unbalanced society. I propose a job for everyone, not a promise to see if jobs can be found. There cannot be social peace when a people have awakened to their rights and dignity and to the wretchedness of their lives simultaneously. If our government cannot create jobs, it cannot govern. It cannot have white affluence amid black poverty and have racial harmony. The turmoil of the ghettos is the externalization of the Negroes inner torment and rage. It has turned outward the frustration that formerly was suppressed in agony. The Negro knows that a society that is able to plan inter-continental war and inter-planetary travel is able to plan a place for him. In its callous refusal to be just and civilized the society is driving a wedge of destructive alienation into the hope of harmony. Tranquility will not be evoked by pious words. To do too little is as inflammatory as inciting to riot. Desperate men do desperate deeds. It is not they who are irrational but those who expect injustice eternally to be endured. I am convinced that a single dramatic, massive proof of concern that touches the needs of all the oppressed will ease resentments and heal enough angry wounds to permit constructive attitudes to emerge. I regret that my expression may be sharp but I believe literally that the life of our nation is at stake here at home. Measures to preserve it need be boldly and swiftly applied before the process of social disintegration engulfs the whole of society."

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ON INSTANT DATE, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT STANLEY LEVISON, PRINCIPAL ADVISOR OF MARTIN LUTHER KING AND FORMER LONGTIME SECRET MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, FURNISHED THE TEXT OF A PRESS RELEASE REGARDING THE RACIAL SITUATION AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN, TO DORA MC DONALD, SECRETARY TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, FOR RELEASE BY MARTIN LUTHER KING. THE RELEASE IN PART READS: *S*

"AS THE FLAMES OF RIOT AND REVOLT ILLUMINATE THE SKIES OVER AMERICAN CITIES THERE IS AN INTENSE DESIRE TO RESTORE NORMALITY. NORMALITY MEANS THAT NEGROES SHOULD CEASE LOOTING STORES WHILE THE WHITE SOCIETY RESUMES LOOTING NEGRO LIVES. WHILE NO ONE SHOULD CONDONE ANTI-SOCIAL ACTS OF NEGROES NEITHER SHOULD WHITE AMERICA RATIONALIZE ITS DESTRUCTION AND DEGRADATIONS OF ITS BLACK MINORITIES. THE STORM WARNINGS HAVE BEEN POSTED A HUNDRED TIMES FAR IN ADVANCE BUT THOSE WHO HAVE THE POWER TO CREATE SOLUTIONS HAVE CREATED TRIVIALITIES AND DIVERSIONS. IF IT IS WRONG FOR NEGROES TO LOOT AND BURN IT IS EVEN A MORE HORRIBLE WRONG FOR WHITE

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ARMED FORCES TO SHOOT TO KILL FOR LARCENY. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE MORAL DEGRADATION, HYPOCRISY AND CONFUSION SEEPING THROUGH SOCIETY WHICH ULTIMATELY MUST DESTROY ITS POSITIVE VALUES." *S*

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, THE BALANCE OF THE RELEASE IS A SUGGESTION THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INSTITUTE A NATIONAL AGENCY SIMILAR TO THE OLD WPA IN ORDER TO PROVIDE JOBS FOR ALL AMERICANS. *S*

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